

# CROP INSURANCE PLAN IS GIVEN PRESIDENT

## FAILING MOTOR BLAMED FOR PLANE CRASH

Theory on Cause of Air Accident Fatal for Six at Dallas Advanced by Officials—"Interference" at Field Mentioned in Report.

Dallas, Dec. 24. (AP)—A failing right engine after "interference" from two other planes in an attempted landing was advanced Thursday by Braniff Airline officials as a possible explanation for the crash of their twin-motored ship which killed six occupants Wednesday.

"Theory on cause of accident, after preliminary investigation, is that plane approached field for landing, was forced to go around due to interference by two other planes," read a telegram by Braniff officials to the Department of Commerce at Washington.

"Right engine failed when throttles were opened."

The Lockheed-Electra ship fell and burst into flames in a corn field less than half a mile from Love Field, Dallas Municipal Airport.

All victims were officials or employees of the lines. The ship had been taken up for a routine test after a motor replacement.

The dead: Don Walbridge, 33, operations manager; Sterling Perry, 38, superintendent of maintenance.

W. T. Chambers, 33, crew chief; Pascual Florence, 27, mechanic; Hubert Daane, 28, mechanic; Fred Sleeper, 28, mechanic.

The twin-motored plane slipped into a cornfield about 100 yards from the shore of Bachman's lake, 500 yards north of the airport, tumbled over on its back and burst into flames.

Joe Mason, cement worker employed on a building project 50 yards from the crash, told a detailed story of the tragedy.

"Airplanes pass over the lake at all hours and I didn't pay much attention to this one until I heard the motors directly over my head. I watched it careen, strike the ground with its right wing and then spin over."

"I ran to the plane, already afire, and heard a man shouting for help. I made my way to the side of the cabin and heard a man pleading with me to get him out."

"My God mister, please pull me out—I'm burning to death," he said. I grabbed his belt and tugged but he was caught at the knee. I heard another man back in the cabin groaning.

"Suddenly a gas tank exploded and flames shot out at me. I gave one final pull but the man gasped two or three times and slumped over. My hands were burning. I couldn't see. I just had to let go of that poor fellow."

"I got to the edge of the wreckage just as some flames blazed up. The pilot of the plane was still sitting erect at the stick. Four of the men must have been killed instantly. I heard the voices of only two."

Firemen found Walbridge, who W. M. Clough, purchasing agent of the lines, said was piloting the ship, still clutching the controls. All the bodies were removed after chemicals had extinguished the blaze.

Clough said no theories as to the cause of the crash could be advanced without further investigation.

Markets Observe Christmas. New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—Through-out the world, financial and commodity markets will observe Christmas Friday by closing, and with few exceptions, will carry the holiday over through Saturday.

## On Guard



Thomas J. Qualters (above), former Notre Dame University football star and recently Massachusetts state trooper, was named successor to the late Gus Genereux as President Roosevelt's bodyguard. Qualters was James Roosevelt's guard during the presidential campaign.

## MISERY MARKS CHRISTMAS IN CIVIL WAR IN SPAIN

Madrid, Dec. 24. (AP)—Death, blood and Nation-wide misery were the Christmas presents forced on Spain Thursday by the grim gods of war.

While all other Christian lands throughout the world were thanking God for the blessings of peace, grieving Spain counted her dead, her maimed, and her starving inhabitants.

Religious leaders, including the aged and ill Pope Pius XI at Rome, pleaded for an end to the brother-sister slaughter in a land once known for its care-free contentment.

Their pleas were answered by the exhortations of war leaders to kill the enemy and get peace by force. Church bells over the world pealed the cry of Christians on the anniversary of the birth of the greatest, peaceful, shot, shell and shrapnel were Spain's echoes.

Here were only battlefields strewn with hundreds of bodies. Here were only wrecked buildings in beautiful Madrid's squares.

Peace on earth was not for Madrilenos. Their war leaders issued Dec. 24 commands for the troops on the front to fight off any Christian sentimentalism which might cause them to relax efforts to kill off their countrymen insisting on a different form of government.

Fascist insurgents shelled the center of Madrid again and their warplanes bombed the Government positions in Romanillos, Las Rozas, and Majadahonda, north and south of the Atocha Road which is northwest of Madrid.

In some Sierra and the Guadalupe regions opposing artillery batteries hammered away at each other all morning.

The Government's day before Christmas proclamation at that its men launched a counter-attack and advanced six miles in the Boadilla sector, carrying off a number of rifles, machine guns, and ammunition as their prizes.

## MARBLE MACHINE ACTION PUZZLES HARRIS SHERIFF

Houston, Dec. 24. (AP)—Sheriff T. A. Binford conferred Thursday with Judge Frank Willford of County Court at Law on a possible course of action in a marble machine legal tangle.

Judge Willford had insisted the Sheriff's department serve warrants on 36 persons indicted on charges of marble machine operation. The Sheriff had declined to serve the warrants, saying such action might place him in contempt of the Court of District Judge H. Fountain Kirby of Freestone County who granted injunctions restraining officers from interfering with marble machine operations.

Judge Willford insisted there was no reason why his capiases should not be served and indicated the Sheriff would be held in contempt of his court in the event of inaction.

## SARAH CHURCHILL WED TO ORCHESTRA LEADER

New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—Sarah Churchill, daughter of Winston Churchill, British statesman, was married to Vic Oliver, orchestra leader and comedian, at the City Hall Thursday. Oliver's secretary announced. The couple left immediately to board the liner Aquitania, on which they will sail for England.

## Allred Deplores Assault.

Austin, Dec. 24. (AP)—Gov. James V. Allred Thursday denounced as "deplorable" the assault on newspaper photographers at the scene of a plane crash near Dallas in which six men lost their lives.

## Cuba Installs Ninth President in Four Years After Gomez I Ousted

### ARMY FACTION WINS DISPUTE ON SUGAR TAX

Laredo Bru Takes Office in Ceremonies at Noon—Lengthy Debate Marks Impeachment of Chief Executive in Island Senate.

Havana, Dec. 24. (AP)—Cuban officials assembled Thursday to welcome a new President—Dr. Federico Laredo Bru—after the army controlled Senate ousted Miguel Mariano Gomez for his opposition to the \$1,500,000 sugar tax bill.

Gomez, the island Republic's ninth President in four years, was forced from his position by the Senate's decision early Thursday that he was guilty of "interfering with the free functioning of legislative power" in fighting the tax measure.

Politically, the winner of the Congressional controversy over the proposal to extend army training to rural schools was Col Fulgencio Batista, Cuba's military "strong man."

Laredo Bru was to be inducted into the Chief Executive's office in official ceremonies set for noon.

Gomez was ejected by a 22 to 12 vote of the Cuban Senate, sitting as a jury to hear the impeachment charges, after a debate lasting into the early morning hours.

The before dawn climax of the struggle was precisely what the whole Capital expected. As a result, sparse crowds accepted the news with an apparent lack of interest.

Immediately after the dismissal, which Gomez expected and prepared for, the retiring President issued a blistering statement denouncing army leaders and charging they sought to arrogate civil authority to themselves.

His accusations reflected the issue on which his defense slaked vindication: that a verdict against the executive would throw Cuba into a military dictatorship.

He was impeached after he had opposed a nine cents a bag sugar tax bill to finance an army-sponsored program of rural education.

His opposition brought into the open his smoldering fight with Col. Fulgencio Batista, "strong man" head of the army, who has been the power behind Cuba's government since 1933.

### GOMEZ PREPARES FAREWELL ADDRESS AS VOTE TAKEN

Havana, Dec. 24. (AP)—The Cuban Senate moved quickly through the formalities of impeachment trial Wednesday and President Miguel Mariano Gomez awaited only formal announcement of a verdict before saying farewell to the Nation.

Convinced that his ouster could be the only result of the trial, result of his veto of a sugar tax bill to provide funds for an army-sponsored rural school program, the Government palace.

The 34 Senators acting as jurors, by convicting Gomez on a charge of interfering with the processes of government, automatically would endorse the first removal by law of a Cuban President.

### U. S. AUTHORITIES ORDER HEAD RETURNED TO TEXAS

Fayetteville, Ark., Dec. 24. (AP)—U. S. Commissioner Clifton Wade ordered Marvin Head returned to Texas Wednesday to face Federal charges of fleeing from the State to avoid prosecution.

Sheriff A. H. Gosler, Archer County, Texas, said Head was wanted there on assault to murder charges in an alleged affray in which Frank Morgan, oil field worker, was injured seriously.

A Federal indictment returned at Fort Worth accused Head of leaving the State for the home of relatives at Rogers, Ark., to avoid prosecution.

### BOND FIXED FOR WOMAN IN FORGERY CASE HERE

Mrs. R. P. Humphreys waived preliminary hearing on charges of forgery Wednesday afternoon and upon her failure to post bond of \$500 set by Justice of the Peace F. M. Taylor was remanded to the County Jail to await action of the Grand Jury Jan. 4. Mrs. Humphreys was arrested recently in Littlefield and was returned to Vernon by deputy sheriffs C. B. Boyd and J. D. Klepper.

### SHAMROCK COUPLE HURT IN CRASH NEAR VERNON

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Nichols of Shamrock received slight bruises and lacerations when the automobile, in which they were riding overturned about a mile east of Vernon Wednesday night. They were able to drive the car into Vernon, where they received first aid treatment at a hospital before returning to Shamrock.

## Five Greetings in One for You!



Christmas. For the quintuplets, as for millions of youngsters, this is the climax of weeks of anxious waiting. The quins have come running to open their gifts. And what a scene. Exclamations of joy tumble out with each exciting find. What is this that Cecile, at left, finds so absorbing? A jack-in-the-box? It must be very interesting because Yvonne has neglected her presents to have a look too. Marie seems about ready to add to the happy confusion with some notes from her gaily decorated accordion. And with a baby grand piano in her lap, Emilie hands over for a look into the picture-story book which is getting "oh's" and "ah's" from Annette. Dr. Dafoe, right in the midst of the fun, sends the spirit of this holiday festival in greetings to all the quins' admirers.

## HOPES TO END UPRISING FADE

EVACUATION OF AMERICANS FROM CHINESE PROVINCE IS HASTENED

Nanking, Dec. 24. (AP)—China's hopes for a speedy end to Marshal Chang Hsueh-Liang's rebellion waned Thursday as the United States hastened efforts to evacuate Americans from embattled Shensi Province.

Worried by growing reports that additional provinces had rallied to the standard of Marshal Chang, Col. Joseph W. Stilwell, U. S. Military attaché at Peiping, left for the interior.

He hoped to penetrate as far west as Sianfu, capital of Shensi, where the rebellious Marshal held Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek, Premier of China.

With the Premier was his wife, the American-educated Mei-Ling Soong, and her brother, Dr. T. V. Soong, endeavoring to treat personally for their relative's release.

### GAINES COUNTY ROAD JOB GIVEN APPROVAL

Austin, Dec. 24. (AP)—The Highway Commission Thursday allocated \$50,000 for hard surfacing Highway 15 in Gaines County from Seminole to the New Mexico State line, a distance of 25 miles.

An asphaltic seal coat topping and stabilization of the natural soil with asphaltic road oil was ordered. The Commission stipulated that not more than half the allocation could be spent prior to April 1, 1937. Work would begin as soon as climate conditions permit.

## Record to Observe Holiday Christmas

The one holiday of the year for the entire staff of The Vernon Daily Record will be observed Christmas Day. Following the custom of many years, The Record will not be published and the office will be closed all day Friday, Christmas Day.

## ELECTRA MAN SERIOUSLY HURT IN CRASH

Charlie Webb, of Electra, was critically injured at 7 o'clock Wednesday night when he was thrown from his motorcycle as the machine slipped on the pavement on a curve in Oklahoma. Webb was traveling west through Oklahoma when he was injured. He was thrown several yards and was unconscious when picked up by ambulance attendants of the Frost & Laxton Mortuary.

Attending physicians at a Vernon hospital said he received a severe concussion of the brain. His head had been skidded along the pavement in the accident. It was stated.

Deputy Sheriff L. D. Campbell investigated the accident. He said the motorcycle described as new, was demolished. The wheel of the vehicle slipped from the edge of the pavement on a curve near an oil station.

It was reported at the hospital early this afternoon that Webb was still unconscious and in a critical condition.

## FRANCE WARNS NAZI ENVOY

"INVASION" OF SPAIN IS  
BASE OF COMPLAINT BY  
PARIS DIPLOMATS

Paris, Dec. 24. (AP)—France has warned Germany a new mass "invasion" of Spain by Nazi troops on the side of the insurgents will force her to aid Madrid, responsible reports said Thursday.

Diplomatic sources said this threat to abandon French neutrality unless the Reich refrained from intervention was delivered by Foreign Minister Yvon Delbos to Count Johann Von Welczeck, the German Ambassador.

Delbos was reported to have proclaimed, can no longer stand for a situation which was developing into a virtual invasion of Spain.

Wednesday night Delbos described to the Chamber of Deputies France committee the ring of arms France is welding about Germany.

France is placing more than 2,500,000 francs (\$415,000,000) at Poland's disposal, he said, largely to enable her ally to build a stronger army on Germany's eastern frontier.

Officially the conversations between Delbos and the Ambassador remained a closely held secret but it was reported Delbos raised the question of Germany's attitude toward international control of arms and volunteers going to Spain.

Welczeck, who has just returned from Berlin, was understood to have promised Nazi support if French frontiers points were placed under surveillance.

## NEGRO CHILDREN SHARE IN GIFT DISTRIBUTION

Activities of the Business & Professional Women's Club in distributing gifts to approximately 1,200 children from needy families of the community were completed Wednesday night at a program in the Booker T. Washington school. More than 250 Negro children shared in the gifts of candy, nuts, fruit, and other treats.

About 1,000 white children received gifts at the community tree in the Robert L. More building Tuesday night.

Pupils and teachers of the Washington school presented a cantata, "The Promised Child," prior to the distribution of gifts.

A committee from the B. & P. W. Club composed of Miss Minnie Ferebee, president; Mrs. Ralph D. King and Mrs. J. A. Huber were present for the program.

Academy Honors Texas. Annapolis, Md., Dec. 24. (AP)—Midshipman John Montgomery Ballinger, Hearne, Texas, was awarded Thursday the Class of 1928 prize for promoting football at the Naval Academy.

## COMMITTEE SUBMITS DETAILS OF PROPOSAL TO START WITH COVERAGE OF '38 WHEAT CROP

Washington, Dec. 24. (A-P)—An Administration bill for government-directed crop insurance was viewed in many quarters Thursday as the probable outcome of a detailed proposal submitted to President Roosevelt by his special committee on the subject.

The committee recommended the program will start with insurance of the 1938 wheat crop against drought, flood, hail, insects and other hazards.

Similar protection, it said, was desired by many farmers who grow cotton, corn, tobacco and other crops. After studying the report, President Roosevelt is expected to submit it to Congress.

Under the wheat proposal, farmers taking the insurance would agree to pay premiums of a certain number of bushels of the grain for each acre planted.

If natural hazards kept the yield per acre below half or three-fourths of the normal crop, the Government would supply the deficiency—in wheat, insurance would not cover declines in price.

Costs of storing this wheat and administering the vast plan would be paid from Federal funds. The expense was not estimated.

The amount of premiums, losses, and similar details would be determined by committees of farmers subject to approval of State committees and Agriculture Department officials.

### COMMITTEE EXPLAINS PLAN FOR INSURANCE

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—Here is the Federal Crop Insurance committee's explanation of how its proposed wheat insurance plan would work.

"At or about the time of seeding, a wheat farmer, if he desired, could apply to his local committee for a crop insurance policy. The committee would determine from past records of his farm the amount of insurance in bushels per acre to be granted, and the premium to be charged."

"The committee would check the average yield and the quality of land in wheat as compared with land that had been in wheat in base (previous) years. Immediate payment of the premium would not be required if a lien on the crop or other security were given."

In case of complete loss, the committee said, "adjustment would be made as soon as such loss has been satisfactorily established. In case of partial loss, adjustment would not be made until after the crop has been harvested and production determined."

"Further urgent consultations are taking place between the two governments to consider what further measures can be taken to achieve that end."

(In Paris, diplomatic sources said France has warned Germany she will be forced to aid Madrid if there is a new mass "invasion" by Nazi troops to help the Spanish fascists.)

## CITY OF BETHLEHEM DRAB AFTER MONTHS OF TERROR

Bethlehem, Dec. 24. (AP)—Christ's disciples of many creeds worshipped their Savior Thursday in a sacred city strangely drab.

The sun broke through sullen skies while the Latin Patriarch, at Jerusalem's Jaffa gate, started his traditional procession to Bethlehem.

Its route led through streets where soldiers stood, past shop windows empty of Christmas symbols, to the tomb of Rachel.

Led by the Latin Patriarch, the marchers were taken to the Church of the Nativity by the Mayor, the Parish Priest, and by other church and civic officials.

But there were few of the pilgrims in either Bethlehem or Jerusalem that other years have brought. Six months of terror, attendant upon the Arab strike against Jewish settlement, had left its mark on the Holy Land.

## FRIEND AS SANTA CLAUS SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE

Lockport, N. Y., Dec. 24. (AP)—Santa Claus, in the person of a gift-bearing neighbor, saved a life today.

Preparing for Christmas in her home, Miss Emma L. Egan, 72, suddenly collapsed, overcome by gas escaping from a defective stove pipe.

Then to Miss Egan's house came her friend, Miss Florence M. Lynch, bringing a Christmas present. Hearing no response to her knock, she entered, discovered what had happened and called a doctor. Miss Egan was taken to a hospital.

## MENU FOR TEXAS CONVICTS ON CHRISTMAS DAY READY

Fort Worth, Dec. 24. (AP)—Texas convicts will have a Christmas dinner, which, for some perhaps, will be the best meal of their lives.

J. B. H. Holderby, member of the Texas Prison Board, received a copy of the menu Thursday. Dinner will consist of celery hearts, baked young turkey, sage dressing and giblet gravy, cranberry sauce, boiled new potatoes, fruit salad, crushed pineapple pie, white bread and coffee.

## Prison Camp Ordered.

Madrid, Dec. 24. (AP)—The Government announced Thursday it would establish its first concentration camp for persons implicated in the Fascist revolution at the town of Tootana. It also issued a general amnesty decree for both penal and political offenders prior to the start of the July revolt.

## Rail Rates Up.

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—Increased railroad rates on all coast-to-coast freight became effective today.

**Good Health and Merry Christmas**

**Behind the CHRISTMAS SEAL**

**1936 Thirtieth Christmas Seal Sale**

Since 1907 the power of the Christmas Seal has been steadily increasing. From the beginning funds from the many stickers have been used in an educational campaign to control tuberculosis. Today they finance a well rounded country-wide program including free clinics, X-rays, tuberculosis testing, nursing service, education, rehabilitation, and research work. This year's seal with its jovial Santa Claus again brings you the message of Good Health and Merry Christmas.

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# GERMANS GET BRITISH AID

COMPANY FORMED TO AID NATION IN OBTAINING RAW MATERIALS

London, Dec. 21. (AP)—Creation of "Compensation Brokers, Inc." by powerful British financial interests to aid Germany get all-important raw materials in exchange for machinery was announced Thursday. Disclosure of the latter scheme, which has approval of the Foreign Office, was deemed most important in view of recent German agitation for return of her colonies, lost by the Treaty of Versailles, as a means of circumventing the lack of foreign

# Daddy's a Sit-Down Striker



Daddy was treated to a visit with his little daughter at Leeds, Mo., although he was one of the workers in an automobile assembly plant who participated in a sit-down strike to protest dismissal of a fellow employee. Mother brought baby to the plant fence to say goodnight when the strikers refused to leave the plant at sundown.

# FASCIST ARMY GETS DRINKS

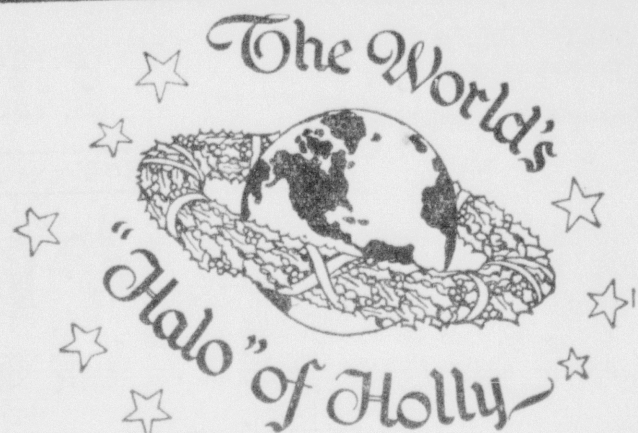
COMMANDER SENDS WINE WITH PRESENT FOR MEN IN LINES

With Fascists on Madrid Front, Dec. 24. (AP)—General Francisco Franco, supreme Spanish Fascist commander, sent to the front lines Thursday 38 cases of champagne given to him as a gift. His donation was received while huge truckloads of presents and wine were brought up to the front for distribution to his men on twelfth night Jan. 6, according to the Spanish tradition, instead of on Christmas Eve. Fascist leaders announced large gift contributions from abroad, asserting 400 truckloads were given by Portuguese sympathizers. Franco's troops, meanwhile, stood by their guns, hoping for an unofficial Christmas truce, while their comrades prepared to attack Madrid after the holiday. The massing of reinforcements for a renewed assault seemed about completed.

# Holiday Movie Menu Listed



The Vernon Theater's Christmas attraction is "Three Men on a Horse" with Joan Blondell, Frank McHugh and Carol Hughes, shown above waving a cheery greeting. In addition to the feature the theater will present newsworthy scenes of the TCU-Santa Clara football game—and a two-reel Pop Eye cartoon.



Again the wondrous halo of green and red encircles the earth and the joyous Christmas season is at hand, when our hearts are happy and our thoughts are turned towards making others happy. Our officers and employees join in wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

# The First State Bank

VERNON, TEXAS  
MEMBER FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

# HERE, THERE AND YONDER

(By ASSOCIATED PRESS LEASED WIRE)

**Seal Sales Gain.**  
Mail sales of Christmas seals to Dec. 22 in Texas amounted to \$10,303.36, as compared with \$7,730.32 for the same period in 1935, according to the Texas Tuberculosis Association. These sales were conducted where there are no local associations. Twenty-five chairmen of county organizations reported sales of \$17,755.83 in the first 10 days of the campaign, as compared with \$16,033.11 last year. Mrs. J. B. Ross is chairman of the Wilbarger County Tuberculosis Association.

**Holiday Noise Reduced.**  
Officers have had greater success this season in keeping down noise in the business section from holiday fireworks than in many years, according to Vernon business men. In addition to holding the noise nuisance to a minimum, danger of fires and personal injuries have also been greatly reduced.

**Weather Man Helps.**  
The weather man has shown perfect cooperation in the Christmas shopping season this year. Comfortable temperatures and clear skies have existed throughout most of the month and the few occasions when the mercury dropped below the freezing mark have been in the early morning hours. Maximum temperature Wednesday was 57 degrees. The minimum was 30. Now that the shopping season is practically over, business men hope the weather man will center his activities on a good rain.

**Family Has Reunion.**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Blanton will have all of their children at home for the holidays. Their guests will include Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mulratt and daughter, Margaret Ann, of Wellington, Kan.; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jackson and children, Jasper, Fred, and Patsy Ruth of Oklahoma City; Mr. and Mrs. Otha Blanton and son, James Ralph, Bert and Jack Blanton of Vernon. This is the first time in 15 years that the children have all been home at the same time, Mrs. Blanton said Thursday.

**Argentine Hero Honored.**  
Buenos Aires, Dec. 24. (AP)—Members of the United States delegation to the Inter-American Peace Conference, which closed Wednesday, placed a huge wreath on the tomb of General Jose De San Martin, hero of Argentina's independence, in the Buenos Aires cathedral. San Martin freed Argentina, Chile and Peru from Spain's control early in the 19th century.

Record classified ads get results.

# Daily Markets

## VERNON MARKETS

COTTON	
Middling, %	11.30
COTTON PRODUCTS	
Cottonseed, per ton	\$35
GRAIN	
Oats	47
Barley	30
Wheat	\$1.27
PRODUCE	
Eggs, dozen	21
Prayers, per pound	12
Heavy hens, per pound	11
Medium hens, per pound	10
Leghorns, light hens	10
Roosters, per pound	10
Turkeys, per pound	14
DAIRY PRODUCTS	
Sour Cream	30

## COTTON

New York. New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—Cotton futures opened very steady, 7.15 higher on active overnight trade and foreign buying. Jan. 12.27; March 12.32; May 12.25; July 12.17; Oct. 11.85; Dec. 11.85.

The demand was created to a favorable interpretation of the order permitting certain types of hatter transactions with Germany. While the initial advance attracted resiliency and increased hedge selling the offerings were quickly absorbed on reactions of a few points from the best and shortly after the first half hour prices sold up to new highs for the week.

The foreign demand was quite general including Europe and the Far East. March rallied from 12.31 to 12.35 and prices generally showed net gains of 9 to 14 points late in the first hour. Liverpool reported a more active market there with realizing and hedging encountering Bombay buying and covering.

New Orleans. New Orleans, Dec. 24. (AP)—Cotton was higher at the start of trading today, influenced by a good volume of trade and professional buying.

Foreign markets were better and this helped early prices at New Orleans. Short covering for over the week-end combined with some price fixing by domestic mills more than absorbed the small amount of selling in the market. March opened at 12.25, May at 12.21, July at 12.12 and Oct. at 11.78.

In the first half hour prices added

a few points to their opening gains. Little year end selling for tax purposes appeared in the cotton market and this was a sustaining factor. The biggest demand today centered in the March and May positions.

Liverpool. Dec. 24. (AP)—Cotton 9,000 bales, including 3,200 American. Spot in fair demand; prices seven points higher; quotations in pence: American, strict good middling 7.76; good middling 7.44; strict middling 7.16; middling 7.01; strict low middling 6.76; low middling 6.29; strict good ordinary 5.99; good ordinary 5.89; futures closed very steady, Dec. 6.75; Jan. 6.74; March 6.75; May 6.73; July 6.68; Oct. 6.44.

## GRAIN

Chicago, Dec. 24. (AP)—Wheat prices here shot upward two cents a bushel early today. A sharp rise of the Argentine wheat market overnight was a stimulating factor, together with reports of unwanted wet weather in Australia. Opening 3-1/4 higher, December 1.36 1/4, May 1.32 1/4-3/4, Chicago wheat futures then soared further. Corn started at 3/4-1/2 gain, Dec. 1.08 1/2, May 1.05 1/2, and for the time being altered little.

## LIVESTOCK

Fort Worth. Fort Worth, Dec. 24. (AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Hogs 800; fully steady; top 9.65 paid by packers; good to choice 130-135 lb. averages, mostly 9.55 to 9.65; better grades of 150-175 lb. underweights 8.90 to 9.50; numerous lots medium to good butcher pigs and light lights 6.00 to 8.50. Cattle 600; calves 300; fully steady trade in all classes cattle and calves; few lots fed steers 7.00 to 7.90; lower grade steers and yearlings 5.00 to 6.50; two loads plain steers and heifers 5.50; beef cows mostly 3.75 to 4.25; bulls largely 2.25 to 4.25; bulk slaughter calves 3.50 to 5.00; few good fat kinds to 5.75. Sheep 50; practically nothing offered.

Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 24. (U. S. D. A.)—Hogs 17,000; unevenly strong to 25 higher than Wednesday's average; spots up more on lightweights; top 10.45, new 10-year high for December; bulk good and choice 160-300 lbs. 10.15-10.40; best sows 10.00. Cattle 3,500; calves 1,000; very active market; practically everything sold on early rounds; strictly good and choice steers and yearlings firm; all lower grade steers strong to 25 higher; not enough bulls to make a market. 12.00 paid for mediumweight steers; prime yearlings absent; several loads weighty steers 12.00-75; offerings at latter price scaling 1.417 and 1.442 lbs middle grade steers 9.00-11.00; lower grades 6.50-8.50; all grades sharply higher than on Monday or late last week; most

short fed heifers 6.00-8.00 but choice kinds quotable to 12.50; weighty sausage bulls 5.75; mostly 9.00-10.00 on lightweight crop. Sheep 11,000; fat lambs in fairly broad demand; indications fully steady; taking upward to 9.25-35 on good to choice offerings now held upward to 9.50 and above; sheep steady; native ewes 3.50-4.50.

## PRODUCE

Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 24. (AP)—Poultry, live, 30 trucks, unsettled, hens 4 1/2 lbs. up 16 1/2, less than 4 1/2 lbs. 12 1/2; Leghorn hens 10 1/2; springs, 4 lbs. up, colored 14 1/2; Plymouth and White Rock 15 1/2. White Rock broilers 15, Plymouth Rock 16; Leghorn chickens 11; roosters 12; Leghorn roosters 11; turkeys, hens 22, young toms 16, old 14; No. 2 turkeys 14; ducks 4 1/2 lbs. up 17; northern geese 15; southern geese 14. Dressed turkeys steady; hens, young 22, old 19 1/2; toms, young 18 lbs. up 21, less than 18 lbs. 21 1/2, old 18 1/2; No. 2 turkeys 16 1/2. Southwest turkey 20-20 1/2. Butter, 7.55, firm, prices unchanged. Eggs, 4.347, steady, prices unchanged.

## POTATOES

Chicago. Chicago, Dec. 24. (U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Potatoes 34; on track 194; total U. S. shipments 462; strong, supplies light, demand fair; sacked per cwt. Idaho Russet Burbanks U. S. No. 1 2.65 to 2.90; No. 2 2.15 to 2.30; practically free from cuts and clipped ends 2.40; Colorado Red McClures U. S. No. 1 2.70.

## TAKE EGGNOG SPARINGLY. ADVISES HEALTH OFFICER

Dallas, Dec. 24. (AP)—Dr. Horace E. Duncan, County Health Officer, threw a boomerang when he said in an interview that eggnog is a concentrated food and should be partaken of sparingly to avoid distress. Friends have called the doctor and "invited" him not to call on them Christmas Day.

Army Officer Transferred. Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—Brigadier General Kenyon A. Joyce Thursday was ordered transferred by the War Department from his present post as Chief of Staff of the Fourth Army, San Francisco, to command the First Cavalry Brigade at Fort Clark, Texas. Joyce recently was promoted to his present rank from that of Colonel by President Roosevelt.

Death Toll Reaches 102. Dallas, Dec. 24. (AP)—Dallas County's 1936 traffic death toll reached 102 with the death of Ola Mae Sneed, 30-year-old Negro, early Thursday. She was struck by an automobile on a Trinity Street viaduct. The driver of the car was not detained.

Record classified ads get results.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss Lettie Bettis is spending Christmas with relatives in Clifton, Texas.

Mrs. J. G. Salter is spending Christmas in Wichita Falls with relatives.

Miss Johnnie Shirley left Thursday morning for Venus, where she will spend the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Miss Miriam Albertson.

Miss Mila Eggleston, who is a music student at Texas Technological College, Lubbock, is at home to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Eggleston.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Pool, Jr., and children, Robert, Sarah, and Margaret Ann, are guests for the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Adamson. Mrs. Pool is a sister of Mrs. Adamson.

Rev. and Mrs. Don R. Davidson and daughter, Donita, of Westover, Baylor County, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Davidson's father, Rev. V. Tooley. Rev. Davidson is pastor of the Methodist Church at Westover.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Bateman and son, Jerry, of Tyler are in Vernon to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. M. Thomas, and her sister, Mrs. Harold Shive, Mr. J. M. Thomas of El Reno, Okla., is also expected home to join them for Christmas.

## BLINDING SNOWSTORM HALTS SEARCH FOR MISSING PLANE

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 24. (AP)—A blinding snowstorm Thursday halted all searching for the wreckage of a Northwest Airlines transport plane in mountainous North Idaho but the hunt in Southern Utah for a lost skyliner continued, aided by more planes.

A ground party which reached Cemetery Ridge, 6,000-foot high eminence against which the Northwest Airlines ship crashed, was held to its cabin, some distance from the summit, because of the weather.

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# HOUSING PLAN IS ADVANCED

## EXPANSION OF FEDERAL PROGRAM TO BOOST BUILDING TALKED

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—With the dual aims of prodding the construction industry and providing homes for low income groups, plans for a new housing program are being charted by Administration experts.

The program calls for a long-range plan of government subsidies to enable states and communities to provide low rent housing.

Similar in many respects to a plan advanced by Senator Wagner, Democrat, New York, in the last Congress, present proposals call for government grants and loans to local groups.

Housing officials said Thursday they considered present machinery inadequate to provide low cost housing on an extensive scale.

Consideration also is being given

# Fire Chief Blazes at Head G-Man



The anger of Fire Commissioner John J. McElligott (above) was fanned into flame by the peril of his men in the spectacular machine gun capture of Harry Brunette in New York. He assailed Head G-man J. Edgar Hoover, who conducted the raid, for "headline heroics" that compelled firemen to fight a blaze in Brunette's apartment while bullets splattered against the walls.

to changing existing Federal housing activities.

Among these, officials said, are suggestions for amending the Federal housing act to extend the Government guarantee of insured mortgages which expires July 1 and to increase the percentage of mortgage insurance which the Federal Housing Administration may grant.

In size, the Congo River is second only to the Amazon.

# Holiday Schedule For White House Shows Full Day

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—The White House holiday program was so full Thursday that President Roosevelt had to advance part of the family's traditional Christmas event of Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

He read an installment of the oft-told story about Tiny Tim and Old Scrooge Wednesday night, while children and adults listened carefully.

The gaiety of a big houseful of young people was marred by word that Franklin, Jr., ill in a Boston hospital, would be unable to come home for Christmas.

His sister, Anna, Mrs. John Boettiger, will be the only other missing member of the four generation family. She and her husband have just moved to Seattle.

After lighting the Community Christmas tree in Lafayette Park, across the street from the Executive Mansion, the President will give his yuletide greetings to the Nation at 4 p. m. Central Standard Time.

The White House Christmas, like that in many American homes, will open with the dash of wide-awake youngsters to rouse their sleeping elders. All will gather in the President's chamber to open their bulging stockings.

The family will go to church at 11 a. m., and the adults will receive their gifts in the afternoon.

# "DEAD WOMAN" FRIGHTENS FISHING PARTY IN TEXAS

Houston, Dec. 24. (AP)—Two-pipe yarns, not startling or very new, Jesse Wright and Aubrey Gilbreath living near Gonzales went fishing on a small creek in an isolated community and ran into a "fishing" job that made cold chills run in all directions.

Wright says he left Gilbreath standing on a bridge and walked to a house a short distance away. When he returned his companion asked whether he wanted to see a dead woman.

"If you do," Gilbreath said, pointing at the partly submerged head of a pretty brunette below the bridge, "she's right down there."

"We started to call officers," Wright says, "but decided we would fish out the body first. So we went for John Wilson, Claier Wright, and Wilbur Gilbreath. It was dark and we had to have lights to see the head so we could get a rope around it."

"It was the head of a very realistic dummy, life-like with real hair, eye lashes, and a half smile showing two rows of teeth."

"When you looked at those blue eyes, staring up from under the water it gave you a creepy feeling."

How the "head" happened to be in Sandy Fork Creek at the bridge across the Mt. Eaden road remains a mystery.

In the piney woods of East Texas an old question comes up for debate about the time frost whitens

# Christmas Will Be Birthday, Too, for Canada's Quads



Although their fame went into eclipse when the Dionne quintuplets were born, the Mahaney quadruplets of St. John, New Brunswick, have more than the usual reason for practicing their songs for Christmas Day. For they were born on Christmas and will celebrate their thirteenth birthday this yuletide.

Joining voices with their mother, who hopes to make them a singing attraction, are, left to right, Edna Louise, John Douglas, Edith May, and Lyda Christine. Jobs have been scarce for the quads' father, William Mahaney, a carpenter, so St. John organizations are planning Christmas gifts for the family.

the barn roof. The question, whether 'possum makes sweet taters popular or sweet taters make 'possum popular, remained such a tough one several hundred persons at the eighth annual 'possum and sweet potato dinner at Jacksonville couldn't get together on an answer.

An old Negro gives a new slant on the 'possum business: "About 2 in the morning you take Old Spot down on the creek and in no time he has one up a tree. If it's a nice, fat one you skin and dress it, and stretch it out on the barn to freeze. A little while after breakfast start it cooking with plenty of sweet 'taters and by dinner—"

He snacked his lips.

Texas have some fine bird dogs. Many of them will compete with the Nation's best in the South Texas series of field trials beginning at Palestine next month and ending several weeks later with a big event at Blessings. There have been no reported kidnappings of Texas dogs, however, as occurred in Wauwatosa, Wis. A resident of Eagle Lake says he received a letter from a friend, Ed Von Bruneheim of Wauwatosa, telling of the recovery of a pet hyena dog which was kidnapped and held for \$15 ransom. Von Bruneheim said he didn't pay the ransom, reporting the case to the sheriff and doing a little detective work himself.

Airplane Furnishes Dinner.

Austin, Dec. 24. (AP)—The problem of Sunday dinner was solved unexpectedly for Mrs. J. Bascom Giles recently. A flock of geese flew over the Giles home. Suddenly an airplane zoomed over the birds, terrifying them. One goose hit the side of the Giles house and was stunned temporarily. Mrs. Giles ran out, picked it up, and placed it in a pen. Next Sunday it was on the dinner table.

# CAPITAL SOCIETY SHAKEN AS PARTIES CANCELLED

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—A casual telephone call from Vice President Garner to President Roosevelt shook the Capital's social foundations Thursday.

There are a lot of "must" parties on the official social calendar every Winter. For instance, the President gives an annual dinner for the Vice President, and the Vice President gives one in return.

Looking forward glumly to night after night of staying up late with a winged collar poking into his neck, Vice President Garner offered to pass up his dinner to Mr. Roosevelt.

The President quickly agreed, and also cancelled the White House banquet for Mr. and Mrs. Garner.

Why? Some said it was because

the Vice President likes to go to bed at 9 p. m. Others pointed out that the social calendar is crowded.

Whether the movement will go further, none would say, but if everybody stopped giving parties because they were expected to, and started holding them only when they felt like having a bunch of folks in—

# VERNON PEOPLE ATTEND RITES AT WICHITA FALLS

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Ash and M. A. Small were called to Wichita Falls Thursday to attend funeral services for the five-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Small of that city. Mrs. Ash is Mr. Small's sister. Funeral services were conducted at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

Record classified ads get results.

Texas Charters Decline.

Austin, Dec. 24. (AP)—Texas charters declined substantially in November both from the preceding month and the same month last year. The University of Texas Bureau of Business Research reports 102 new charters granted, a decline of 23.9 per cent under the same month last year and 17.7 per cent under October. Capitalization, \$930,000, represented declines of 64.7 and 85.2 per cent for the same two periods, respectively.

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In his eternal quest for all that is finest and best, mankind honors and reveres the sentiment of Christmas. At this glad Christmastide we want you to know deeply we feel our debt of gratitude to you for your loyalty and friendship in the past.

When the dawn of 1937 breaks over your home, may it bring to you and your family a wealth of new hope and optimism for the greater things to come to you during the twelve months.

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# GUNMAN MAKES GUILTY PLEA

U. S. COMMISSIONER SETS TRIAL FOR JAN. 11 IN BANK ROBBERY CASE

Dallas, Dec. 24. (AP)—Carl David West pleaded guilty before United States Commissioner Lee R. Smith Thursday to attempting to rob the First National Bank of Commerce, Hunt County, and was held under \$20,000 bond.

Commissioner Smith ordered West to appear for trial before Federal Judge T. Whit Davidson Jan. 11, 1937.

R. B. Alexander, Deputy United States Marshal, brought West here from the Greenville jail where the small, brown-haired defendant was lodged after his arrest by former Deputy Sheriff George Thurman as he tried to leave the bank with \$1,100 loot Tuesday.

Thurman answered an alarm telephoned from the bank vault by bank employees imprisoned by the intruder.

## County Briefs

### GRAYBACK

Grayback—Miss Myrtle Johnson of Wichita Falls returned to her home Sunday after visiting several days with her sister, Mrs. Jack Liner.

Mrs. W. C. Herndon is visiting relatives in Graham this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holden and daughter, Margaret, have moved to Quinlan, Texas.

Mrs. Ira Edwards, a sister of B. D. Lloyd, visited in his home Monday.

Mrs. Earn Briscoe spent the weekend visiting relatives in Pauls Valley, Okla.

Loucky May, who has been visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Holder, left Sunday for Mathis, Texas, to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Rogers and children and Miss Vera Askerman left Wednesday for Oklahoma City. They will also go to Seminole to visit their son and brother, D. E. Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kelly and son, Ben, Jr., left Wednesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Hansen in Muskogee, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stiles left Thursday for Cisco, where they will attend a family reunion. Saturday they will go to San Antonio to attend another family reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Isham left Wednesday to visit Mrs. Isham's mother, Mrs. W. H. Jernigan, in Childress.

Miss Emma Dora Fleher of Pauls Valley, Okla., is spending the Christmas holidays with her sister, Mrs. Earn Briscoe.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Scarborough and children left Wednesday to visit relatives in Harper, Texas, this week-end.

Mishapen dwarfs in Teutonic mythology were called trolls. They lived in hills and mounds.

## Swagger Coats Go Over Big



SWAGGER as the holiday season ought to be and flattering as an ardent admirer are the new white lambskin swagger coats. Warm and soft, they are chic over sports dresses and equally smart with long dinner dresses. This one, designed by D'Angelo, buttons high around the neck, flares at the back and is exactly right for a week-end of winter sports.

## LOUISIANA TRAPPERS GET BOUNTY FOR BOBCATS

Houston, Dec. 24. (AP)—For the spit and whistle club, Texas rattlesnakes usually keep out of sight in the winter, but one was so large it apparently couldn't make the grade, or considered itself big enough to defy winter weather and E. W. Flowers' dog and shotgun.

Flowers and his dog were hunting near Seguin. The dog barked and Flowers say what he described as "some snake." He used his shotgun. The snake, he said, was five feet, two inches long, 14 inches in

circumference and had 26 rattlers. That's what is considered an old and big rattler even in Southwest Texas.

Across the Texas-Louisiana state line at Natchitoches, La., hunters are cashing in on bobcats. Within four days five were presented for the bounty of \$10 each. The animals have been making life miserable (and short) for small game in that section. Bobcats frequent many sections of Texas and are a menace to goats, sheep, poultry, and small game. It isn't pleasant to her a cat squall when one is alone in the woods at night.

Mrs. W. B. Denison of Cameron borrowed her husband's rifle and felled a big buck after six men in the hunting party failed to get enough game for supper.

A Welmar farmer, who never goes hunting, dislikes the nimrod business and this season he went into action. Declaring hunters had killed several head of his cattle, he announced employment of a man to ride the pasture and "make it hot for them."

## DIEGO RIVERA AND WIFE REPORT ASSAULT BY PAIR

Mexico City, Dec. 24. (AP)—Diego Rivera, Mexican mural painter and Communist leader, charged Thursday that police stood by without interfering while two men beat him and his wife in a cafe Wednesday night.

The painter said he recognized his assailants as Government employees and declared the police made no effort to arrest them when they fled after the fight.

Rivera, beaten in the face, suffered bruises and minor injuries but did not require hospital care.

Rivera, who recently won asylum in Mexico for Leon Trotsky, exiled former power in Soviet Russia, said his assailants cursed him as a disciple of the revolutionary leader.

## DEPORTATION QUESTIONS LIKELY TO FACE CONGRESS

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—Labor Department officials predicted Thursday Congress would be asked again this winter to stop "hardship" deportation of aliens.

Colonel Daniel W. McCormack, Immigration Commissioner, battled unsuccessfully at the last two sessions for a bill to end mandatory deportation of foreigners in the country illegally when deportation would break up families or work other hardships.

The legislation also would tighten the law on deportation of criminal aliens, McCormack said.

## ACCIDENTAL SHOT KILLS YOUTH ON HOLIDAY HUNT

Corsicana, Dec. 24. (AP)—William Arthur Byrd, 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Byrd, residents of Richland, 11 miles south of Corsicana, was accidentally shot Thursday morning and died en route to a Corsicana hospital. He was hunting near Richland when shot. Details of the accident were not immediately available.

Surviving are his parents, one brother, two sisters and other relatives.

Funeral services will be Saturday.

## Nazi Deny Charge.

Berlin, Dec. 24. (AP)—Official and private aviation experts denied flatly Thursday that Germany is establishing an airplane and Zeppelin base in Ifal, Spanish possession on the northwestern coast of Africa. (Establishment of such a base was charged by a spokesman for the Spanish Socialist Government at Valencia.)

# Social and Club News

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## Girl Scout Troop Entertained With Christmas Party

A Christmas party for members of the Cardinal Troop of Girl Scouts was given Wednesday evening at the home of the troop lieutenant, Mrs. W. E. Colley, 2508 Bismark Street.

Mrs. Colley was assisted in entertaining by the troop committee mothers, Mesdames M. L. Sharp, R. H. Nichols, R. H. Hoffman, and Perry White.

Upon their arrival, the girls played games and packed Christmas boxes for a needy family. Refreshments of green lime punch, sand tarts, suckers, and sanded nuts were served by the troop committee mothers, and the group then went caroling. They sang at the homes of grandparents of the troop members.

Those present were Lucile Anderson, Bobbie June Brown, Margaret Christian, Helen Jane Cole, Nancy Belle Colley, Peggy Jean Graves, Jean Hardison, Norma Lea Hoffman, Mary George Howard, Fairlyn Johnson, Mary Covert Kerr, Kathryn King, Mary Virginia Lutz, Jeanette Middleton, Betsy Nichols, Mary Virginia Sharp, Yetta Jean Westbrook, Melba Ruth White, Margie Ann McCarter, and M. L. Sharp, Jr. Miss Helen Powell, Mesdames Warren King, W. P. Thomas, R. H. Nichols, M. L. Sharp, R. H. Hoffman, Perry White, and Mrs. Colley.

## Employees of Theaters Are Honored at Party

Employees of the Ritz Theater of Altus, Okla., and of the Majestic Theater of Vernon were entertained with a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Hamm, 2510 Main Street, Wednesday. Mr. Hamm is owner of the theaters.

Forty-two and bridge furnished diversion for evening, after which gifts were exchanged from a Christmas tree. Refreshments of sandwiches, potato chips, coffee, and fruit cake with whipped cream were served by the hostess.

Guests from Altus included Mr. and Homer Gimmie, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Harrison, Miss Harriet Storey, Miss Oletha Colbath, Pete Arnold, and Cecil Stroud. Those from Vernon were Mr. and Mrs. Ferris Barton, Miss Gladys Crittenden, Alton Elkins, Freeman Castleberry, Miss Nedra Lobenthau, and Mr. and Mrs. Hamm.

## Health Club Organized in Plainview Community

A health club was organized in the Plainview community near Odell last week by Mrs. Ruby Ripperton, County Health Nurse. The club will meet every second and fourth Tuesday, and an invitation has been extended to parents of the community to take part in the activities.

Officers of the organization were elected as follows: Mrs. J. H. Hardage, president; Mrs. B. O. Currin, vice president; and Mrs. W. J. Anderson, secretary. At the conclusion of the meeting, lunch was spread, and the group enjoyed a program and Christmas tree.

## CHRISTMAS DINNER IS GIVEN BY FARGO COUPLE

A dinner carrying out the Christmas motif was given this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Gurley of Fargo. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Mayes and daughter, Wanda, of Hinds; Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Nowell and sons, C. D. Jr. and Jack; Mrs. Steed and son of Vernon; Mr. and Mrs. Fuston Nethery of Vernon; Miss Evelyn Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Stevenson and family, Miss Jane Elizabeth Gurley, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Gurley.

## MISSOURI FAMILY RESCUES CANARY AFTER SIX DAYS

Moberly, Mo., Dec. 24. (AP)—"Happy," a six-year-old German canary, was rescued Wednesday night from an abandoned cistern in which it had been a prisoner for six days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Heck reported Thursday they finally retrieved their songster by using a woman's hairnet, fastened to a parachute. Food was used to lure "Happy" into the net at the bottom of the dry cistern.

Mrs. Heck doused the bird with a cup of water to make sure he could not fly. Mr. Heck then caught the net with a long stick and pulled the bird out.

The songster was replaced in its cage and as a result Christmas was festive in the Heck household.

The bird escaped from its cage last Friday and fluttered into the cistern through a six inch opening in the basement floor of the Heck home. Heck tried to enlarge the opening but pipes and steel reinforcing thwarted him.

## OIL PROSPECTS VIEWED BY HEAD OF MAJOR COMPANY

New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—W. S. Farist, chairman of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey, in a year-end statement issued Thursday, said he has seen nothing to prevent the oil industry "from having at least as good earnings in 1937 as it will report for 1936."

"However, there is no indication of relief from taxes or the rigors of competition," he added.

"We should see a higher price for all fuel oils relative to gasoline."

## Moslems Guard Church.

Bethlehem, Dec. 24. (AP)—The men who guard the Church of the Nativity day and night never worship there. All are Moslems, appointed by the Government on the theory that to select a guard of one of the Christian faiths would cause jealousies among the others.

The peak of the lumber industry in North Carolina was reached in 1909 when 2,178,000,000 board feet were marketed.

## MRS. MCLENDON GIVES PARTY FOR PARKER STUDENTS

Mrs. Roy B. McLendon entertained pupils of her primary room at Parker School with a Christmas party Wednesday afternoon at her home, 1127 Wichita Street. Mrs. Kade West and Mrs. Regina Alexander acted as assistant hostesses.

The Christmas tree was brilliantly decorated and hung with turlene sacks filled with fruit and candy for each child. Red and silver candles burned throughout the house. Refreshments consisted of hot chocolate, cookies shaped as Christmas symbols, and chocolate Santa Clauses as favors.

The children present were Floy Gene Alexander, Martha Jo Bailey, Raymond Henry, Bill West, Edward Matthews, Audrey Thrasher, Wayne Miller, Joyce Horn, Marilyn Cook, Ruth Roberts, Billy Irene Cook, Jimmy Yancy, Billy Joe Lucas, Charles Corley, Betty Hamilton, Cyril Eaton, George Dodson, Kenneth Ray Harbour, Juanita Brazil, Marvin Breshears, Leon Flake, Maurine Carpenter, and Billy Francis Sneed.

## Christmas Party Given Class at Frost Home

The home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Frost in Farmers Valley was the scene of a delightful Christmas party Tuesday evening for members of the Willing Workers' Sunday School Class. Games, contests, and refreshments were carried out in the holiday motif. Mr. Frost is teacher of the class.

Those present were Messers and Mesdames Carol Jones, Dale Baldwin, Misses Ava White, Sallie Belle Owen, Theo Mitchell, Mary Baldwin, Mildred Rowden, Carolyn Frost, Margie Rea Vaughn, Messers Hugh Rapp, Warren Rich, Clyde Rich, Lloyd Vaughn, Glenn Hodges, Herbert Dodson, Dean Bennett, Keith Frost, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Frost.

## RECENTLY MARRIED COUPLE IS GIVEN SHOWER TUESDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Rieder, a recently married couple, were honored Tuesday evening with a shower at the home of Mr. Hodge Locke at Farmers Valley. The couple was married Saturday evening by Rev. E. P. Swindall at the Methodist parsonage in Tolbert.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Rieder was Miss Gladys Davenport. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Davenport of the Farmers Valley community. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Rieder of Mena, Ark. The couple left Wednesday to make their home in Arkansas.

## PATRONS ATTEND CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS AT SCHOOL HERE

Approximately 75 parents of Hawkins School children attended Christmas programs in various rooms of the school Wednesday afternoon. This activity took the place of the regular meeting of the Hawkins School Parent-Teacher Association.

Christmas music was heard in each of the rooms, and Christmas candies and fruit were given to each child. Room mothers and teachers cooperated in providing the trees and the favors.

## PUBLIC RECORDS

Warranty Deeds.

Empire Mortgage Company to Fred Schmoker, south half of north half section 33, block 12, H. & T. C. survey.

Cy Long et al to Christ Schmoker et al, a tributary of Red River 9 miles north, 78 west from mouth of same, warrant 29-151 Patent 436.

Ed W. Barry et al to W. M. Judd, survey 3 Dupree & Roberts survey 1 and part of Martha Spikes survey 1.

Lillie Lorene Burchfield et al to E. M. Yerby, west 100 acres of subdivision 62, Waggoner Colony Land Subdivision.

O. B. Dodson et al to R. T. Evans, south half survey 6, block 15, H. & T. C. survey.

S. W. Bailey et al to J. W. Carrington, all lots 3-4, block 31, O. T. of Vernon.

Pearl Britte to R. C. Rainwater, beginning at southwest corner lot 4, block 5, New Townsite of Oklahoma.

Rebecca Rainwater et al to L. P. Hoke, lot 8, block 5, J. M. King Northwest Addition.

G. and Roy Farrell to Clyde H. G., undivided 3-4 interest all lots 5, block 2, T. H. Shive Addition.

Mrs. Pearl Britte to Raymond Hirsch, part of lot 4, block 5, New Townsite of Oklahoma; west half of lots 1-2, block 4, New Townsite of Oklahoma; east 30 feet of west 60 feet lots 1-2, block 1, New Townsite of Oklahoma.

W. N. Stokes et ux to City of Vernon, south 40 feet of lot 10, block 1, Anna A. Rembert Addition.

Assignment Oil and Gas Lease.

W. R. Duke to Mrs. Dora C. Shannon, lot 2, block 26, W. R. Duke Subdivision.

Luther Webb to Panhandle Refining 240 acres out of sections 2-7, block 4, H. & T. C. survey.

Oil and Gas Lease.

W. T. Huston et ux to the Texas Company, 155 acres, all of Subdivision 35, Waggoner Colony Lands.

John E. Coffee et al to Luther Webb, north half of southwest quarter, section 52, block 15, H. & T. C. survey.

R. V. Manis et ux to Luther Webb, southeast quarter of northwest quarter section 43, block 15, H. & T. C. survey.

J. S. Chisholm et ux to Luther Webb, one acre off west side of southwest quarter, section 45, block 15, H. & T. C. survey.

J. H. Parker et ux et al to Luther Webb, south 110 acres of east 440 acres of section 36, block 15, H. & T. C. survey.

Pauline Andrews et vir to Luther Webb, south half of southeast quarter section 37, block 15 H. & T. C. survey.

Oregon has recently erected five large bridges on its scenic coastal highway.

## Santa's Drawing Close!



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It's so very close to Christmas that the quintuplets can almost imagine this smiling jolly fellow, arriving in a sleigh and carrying a generous bag of toys, is Santa Claus in person. But Marie, her interest stirred, has discovered that it's really Dr. Dafeo, toggled out in Santa Claus regalia. The quins found the Christmas legends so thrilling he decided to give them a "dress rehearsal." And Marie seems to be wondering just how the real Christmas could be any more glorious.

## LABOR TROUBLE DIMS HOLIDAYS

### TWO STRIKES OF ALUMINUM AND AUTO WORKERS ARE SETTLED

(By The Associated Press)

The settlement of one major strike in the automobile industry and of another affecting aluminum workers brought a measure of Christmas cheer Thursday. Deadlocks persisted, in other areas plagued by labor disputes.

Christmas Eve found the following developments:

The automobile industry: Detroit—Two thousand members of the United Automobile Workers of America accepted terms ending a strike at the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel Company's two plants. Operations will be resumed Monday. Operations officials said union demands were met.

Racine, Wis. — Two Automobile Workers Union officials rejected a three point peace plan proposed for 2,000 striking J. I. Case Company employees. But the Union's president said the plan would be put before a general meeting of the union membership.

Pittsburgh—Strikes at plants of the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company here and the Libbey-Owens-Ford Company at Toledo, Ohio, Ottawa, Ill., and other cities, continued. At Ottawa the Libbey-Owens-Ford Company extended bonus payments to strikers.

The aluminum industry: Detroit—The Detroit branch of the Aluminum Corporation of America prepared to resume work after employees accepted terms to end a 14-day old strike.

Maritime shipping: San Francisco—Both sides of the maritime strike affecting nearly 40,000 workers were warned by Secretary of Labor Perkins that public interest requires a prompt agreement, even if it involves some sacrifice.

## ATLANTIC LINERS MAKE PORT FOLLOWING STORM

New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—Three trans-Atlantic liners — Manhattan, Normandie, and the Deutschland—along with several smaller steamships pulled into New York Thursday, storm-battered but still in time to set 20,000 bags of foreign mail and 10,000 passengers ashore for Christmas.

Winds of hurricane proportions, waves 50 feet high in the Atlantic, breaking over bridges and funnels, were described by persons aboard the big ships.

Captain Pierre Thoreaux, of the Normandie, said the storm was one of "the worst I have ever seen."

Today's arrivals, along with the Europa, which docked Wednesday night, were between one and two days late. With a lessening of the storms off the coast, there was no danger of any passenger ship, scheduled to dock by Christmas, being delayed at sea over the holiday.

Newspaper Man Hurt.

Lake Charles, La., Dec. 24. (AP)—John Marsh, 20, of the Mobile Times, Mobile, Ala., suffered a leg laceration Wednesday in an automobile collision near Sulphur, La., west of Lake Charles.

# EUROPE HEARS CAROL OF HATE

(By The Associated Press)

A stricken Pontiff pleaded for peace amid Godliness amid the turmoil of Europe Thursday—the Eve of Christmas, 1936.

Vatican City—Pope Pius made his own suffering an offering to God for peace and God's own glory in a sick-bed radio broadcast heard around the world. He called upon all men of good faith to halt "the evils" of Communism.

Madrid — Corpses strewn battle-grounds and the gaunt, yawning facades of shell-wrecked buildings formed the grim Yuletide background; cannons sang a ghastly carol of hate.

Paris—France warned Germany that a new mass "invasion" of Spain by Nazi soldiers on the side of Fascism would force her to intervene on the side of Socialist-Communist-Republican Madrid.

Berlin—Nazi Germany's Fuehrer and his chief aide, General Goering, spent the day with the children of the poor.

London—Great Britain and France plunged into "urgent" talk of halting outside interference in Spain, while Anglo-German discussion of a new European security pact snagged on the definition of an "aggressor" nation.

In the Orient Chiang Kai-Shek, China's Premier, remained the prisoner of a Communist-aided warlord; Japan's diet convened to face the ultimate question: Fascist or parliamentary government; Russia's thoughts were on the threat of war, not Christmas.

And in Bethlehem, scarred by riot and murder, the bells rang again.

## IDLE SEAMEN ARRESTED IN NEW ORLEANS DRIVE

New Orleans, Dec. 24. (AP)—Under instructions from George Ryeer, superintendent of police, more than 185 idle seamen were arrested here in a police drive against robberies and sluggings in the strike in Pacific Coast maritime trade.

The men were taken into Records Court after the raids and charged with loitering, Ryeer said, and some of them were questioned in connection with a series of beatings and robbing of working seamen during the past few days.

Several of nearly a dozen men beaten and robbed were in rather serious condition, Ryeer said. Two of them, Bonifacio Corpas, 28, and Fredericks Berardo, employed on the steamship Hanover, suffered possible fractured skulls.

The men arrested were herded into patrol wagons and booked at the police station before being taken into Records Court.

## REICH LEADERS MAY MEET WITH DER FUEHRER FRIDAY

Munich, Dec. 24. (AP)—Reported plans for a Christmas gathering of the Reich's leaders at Adolf Hitler's Berchtesgaden retreat had Munich speculating Thursday on the possibility of an important conference.

General Herman Wilhelm Goering will be at Berchtesgaden Friday. He has a villa there, near Der Fuehrer. There also were reports that Joachim von Ribbentrop, the Reich's Ambassador to Great Britain, would arrive at Berchtesgaden during the holidays. He is now in Britain.

Record classified ads get results.

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# Merry Christmas

The long-awaited day is at hand, and we hope that it contains a multitude of blessings for you, in the form of dreams that have come true, and in quantity of mental serenity and happiness that it brings.

It gives us real pleasure to wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy, Happy New Year.

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# A TOAST To The New Year

Here's to 1937! May its promises that seem so bright in prospect turn into actualities under the careful efforts of all of us. May the opportunities that now loom so large be converted into achievements for greater peace, progress and prosperity. This is our New Year's Wish for you, our friends who have helped us to build this business on the foundation of service.

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V. L. PORTER, Manager

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## STANDARDS OF RECOGNIZED HOSPITAL LISTED

In connection with the hospital election to be held Dec. 31 in Wilbarger County, voters have become interested in the qualifications necessary for a hospital to be operated on a recognized standard basis. In his offer of the King Hospital and grounds as a gift to the County, one of the requirements made by Dr. T. A. King, if the gift is accepted, is that its operation be conducted on a "recognized standard basis."

Another requirement is that the County take over the equipment now in the hospital upon payment to Dr. King of \$13,500. The only other demands are that the institution be operated under the name of "The Sara King Memorial Hospital," in honor of Dr. King's mother, and that the hospital shall be "an open workshop to all regular reputable and progressive physicians, their credentials to be passed on by a Board of Control."

**Election Called.**  
The election Dec. 31 is on the question of issuance of bonds amounting to \$18,000 to pay for the equipment and to meet other expenses in establishing a county hospital.

The King Hospital was built in 1922 at a cost of \$75,000. The fireproof structure is in a good state

of preservation, according to the report recently made by a citizen's fact-finding committee on the proposal.

In order to operate on a recognized standard basis through approval of the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association, it is necessary for a hospital to meet qualifications listed by the Council as follows:

1. A staff made up of one or more properly qualified physicians who shall be graduates of reputable medical schools; and all physicians treating patients in the hospital must be so qualified.
2. An able management which, depending on the size of the hospital, may be in the hands of a competent physician, an able superintendent, or a board of trustees.
3. A competent physician-pathologist, either on the staff or easily accessible, who should examine and keep a careful record of tissues removed at all operations conducted in the hospital.
4. Careful histories and records of all patients admitted to the hospital with which should be filed reports of any laboratory analyses, roentgen-ray findings or pathologic reports of any tissues examined.

**Conferences Important.**  
5. On or more competent nurses, depending on the average number of its patients.

6. Regular staff conferences, at least monthly and preferably weekly, in all hospitals having staffs of three or more physicians. At these staff conferences complicated cases in the hospital should be considered, as well as all deaths occurring in the hospital in the period between meetings. If necropsies have been held on any of these patients, these especially should be given discussion in which antemortem and post-

## On the Job With the Quins



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All ready? Now stand still and smile—a big smile! The quintuplets are having their pictures taken in their new winter suits. Annette, on the left, can't get her eyes off that newly cut Christmas tree on the toboggan. Next to her, Yvonne is having trouble with her helmet, which has slipped down over one eye. Next in line are Marie and Emilie, and they are perfect subjects, wearing their best smiles. Cecile, at far right, is all attention, just like a little soldier. Davis watches the lineup, ready to catch the quins at their best.

mortem signs, symptoms and observations should be compared.

7. Hospitals are institutions which should not be conducted for profit but for the purpose of securing better medical service for the community and they should always be conducted in accordance with the code of ethics of the American Medical Association.

### LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss Mildred Neel of Thalia is the guest of Miss Agnes Sutherland.

Mrs. Lois Lewis of Fort Worth is visiting friends and relatives here during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Jenson of Rockford, Ill., are here to spend the holidays with Mrs. Jenson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Allison.

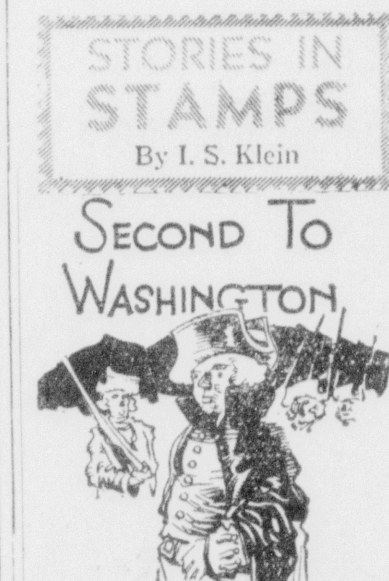
Charles Lutz, who is attending the University of Texas, Austin, has arrived to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lutz, during the Christmas vacation.

Charles Boyd, student at the University of Texas, Austin, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Boyd, of Oklahoma during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith of Dallas, former residents of Vernon, are expected to arrive Thursday to spend Christmas in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wren.

S. G. Thompson and O. Thompson of Sherman are visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Adams. Mr. S. G. Thompson is Mrs. Adams' son's father, and Mr. O. Thompson is an uncle.

Mrs. John Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Turney and children, Janette and Quenelle, Mr. and Mrs. B. K. Fanning and children, Wanda and Shirley, all of Dublin, will arrive Thursday to spend the Christmas holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jones. Mrs. Ray is a sister of Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Fanning and Mrs. Turney are nieces.



**STORIES IN STAMPS**  
By I. S. Klein  
**SECOND TO WASHINGTON**

MOST fitting selection of a personality to be pictured alongside the portrait of George Washington, on the new one-cent Army stamp, is that of General Nathaniel Greene, the "Quaker General," who is said to have been second in ability as a war leader only to the great revolutionary commander himself.

Son of a Quaker preacher, Greene shocked his fellow Quakers by joining the revolutionary army that was forming in 1774 to resist the troops of King George III. He was 32 then. Three years later he commanded the Rhode Island division of the army of Boston, as brigadier general. At the Battle of Brandywine he saved the American forces from extermination. In 1780 he took command of the army of the South and the next year defeated the British in a decisive battle at Eutaw Springs, S. C.

For his successes, Georgia and the Carolinas awarded him grants of land, and Congress presented him with a medal of honor. Although highly honored when he returned to his home in Rhode Island, he retired with his family to his estate in Georgia. There, in 1786, at the age of 44, he died of sunstroke.

U. S.—1936  
Army series  
Washington  
and Greene  
1c green

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## We Know What We Want To Say--

—But somehow we lack the right words to make our meaning exactly clear.

We want to convey to you how we feel about you at this season, and the best we know how to do is to fall back on the old, reliable words that even after all the years continue to be sweet with meaning—MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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## The Alpha and Omega Of Our Christmas Wish Happiness Peace and Good Will

At this holiday season we wish to extend to you our cordial and sincere wishes for a most Merry Christmas and a New Year filled with the fulfillment of your plans for the future.

We realize that our business could never have even the slightest degree of success without the loyal patronage of you who have been our friends, and in gratitude we wish to thank you.

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We recognize the fact that our business could not grow without your friendly patronage, and as we face the future with confidence, we want to wish you a NEW YEAR that will leave nothing to be desired in Opportunity and Accomplishment.

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1810 Texas Street



## Yuletide Greetings

In appreciation of the friendly good-will that makes it possible for us to know and serve you, we extend

**CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR  
GREETINGS AND BEST  
WISHES**

**MISS VERNON  
STEAM LAUNDRY**

K. G. McDonald, Mgr.

## May Your Christmas Be A Happy One

In appreciation of the friendship you have shown toward us, we take this means of extending you the season's greetings, wishing you a very Merry Christmas indeed and the happiest New Year you have ever experienced.

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West Texas' Pioneer Cotton Breeders  
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## Christmas! Christmas! CHRISTMAS!

Now comes the high tide of the year, Christmas, when the human heart looks back upon the spent year and forward into the new one.

Christmas . . . the  
day and season of  
Peace and Joy!

May your Christmas echo and re-echo in tune with the spirit of the Founder of this glad day!

May you have peace and prosperity, health and happiness; this is our Christmas wish for you.

## Cockerell Drug Store

For those who have made it possible for us to enjoy living in a good town and having a nice business, we say: "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

## Cope's Grocery

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## FIGHT PLANS IN TROUBLE

JOE LOUIS-BOB PASTOR  
BOU BRINGS OUT NEW  
PROMOTION WORRIES

New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—The heavy-weight situation in general and the proposed Joe Louis-Bob Pastor fight in particular are running into more angles than a class in geometry.

With the Jim Braddock-Max Baer boxing bullbaiting apparently quieted for the time being by Der Moxie's quick trans-Atlantic trip, attention is centered on the proposed Louis-Pastor bout next month.

The rival promoters, Mike Jacobs and Madison Square Garden's Jimmy Johnson, whose differences are holding up the negotiations, were scheduled for another conference Thursday. Jacobs is insisting on an option on Pastor's services for three years if he should beat Louis, and the Garden is insistent against such a demand.

Meanwhile, Broadway's boxing boulevard wondered about a statement attributed to Jacobs quoting him as threatening to keep Louis out of New York State rings unless the State Athletic Commission rescinds a couple of decisions adverse to the promoter.

There were (1) that Jacobs must not present wrestling shows in his Hippodrome on Monday nights, because that night is reserved for Jack Curley's presentations at an uptown armory, and (2) that another opponent than Red Burman of Washington must be found for Gunnar Barland, the impressive Finnish heavyweight. The Commission said Burman was "not a suitable opponent" for the Finn.

## TICKETS GO FAST FOR COTTON BOWL CLASSIC

Dallas, Dec. 24. (AP)—Football fans streamed past ticket booths and boosted sales to around 18,000, Cotton Bowl Association officials promoting the Texas Christian-Marquette New Year's Day classic announced Wednesday.

First day of sales, mixed with mail and telephone reservations, sent available tickets down to the 25-yard-line of the vast, 46,500 capacity stadium, association heads said.

J. Curtis Sanford, president of the association, said he "expected a sell-out by the middle of next week."

The Golden Avalanche of Milwaukee, boasting All-America Ray (Burr) Bulvid and loser of only one game—to Duquesne—this year, will move into Dallas Thursday from Du-rant, Ohio, and complete training here at Southern Methodist's stadium.

"Slinger" Sam" Baugh, Texas Christian's passing man, and his mates will not don grid tugs again until Saturday. Coach Leo Meyer decided to give them a rest after the long train ride home from San Francisco, where they wallowed Santa Clara's Bronco, Sugar Bowl selection, 6-0.

## BRITISH SPORTSMAN AIRS PLANS FOR YACHT RACE

New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—T. O. M. Sopwith, the British sportsman, said Thursday he is "hopeful" of winning the America's yachting cup in the International series next summer.

He arrived with Mrs. Sopwith on the Europa Wednesday night, but insisted the current trip had nothing to do with the forthcoming races.

"We are going to Florida for six weeks of fishing off the Florida Coast with friends on the yacht Caroline," he explained.

Afterward he will return to England to superintend preparations for the trans-Atlantic crossing of his cup challenger, the Endeavor II. It will be towed across, along with the losing challenger of the last series, the Endeavor, in June. The races will be held in July.

## Dean Struts His Stuff



It was just like Dizzy Dean to drum up a little noise during the intersectional high school football game between Turtle Creek, Pa., High and Florida Military Academy in St. Petersburg, Dean, given the job as honorary referee, cut in on the drum major, and is shown here strutting his stuff along with two sponsors of the game, Jane Piper, left, of Tyrone, Pa., and Virginia Loughnot, of Detroit.

## ENFORCEMENT OF FOOTBALL RULINGS IS DISCUSSED

Chicago, Dec. 24. (AP)—John J. Schommer, dean of Western Conference football officials, believes courageous enforcement, rather than change, is the principal need of football rules today.

Schommer, a brilliant end at the University of Chicago under Amos Alonzo Stagg during the days of the great Wally Steffen and Walter Ebersall and for 27 years a football official, foresees much discussion on grid rules when football coaches meet in New York Dec. 28. The coaches have a committee which can make recommendations to the rules committee meeting held early in 1937.

"The forward pass interference rule has caused widespread debate because of the part it has played in deciding games," said Schommer. "It's a good, fair rule and it emphasizes, more than does any other regulation, the need for officials who know their business."

"The reason referees last longer in football is because calling such decisions as interference on passes falls on the umpires and field judges. Those officials are men who should have plenty of courage and should have played basketball as well as football. In a basketball game the officials constantly are ruling on the football type of pass interference play."

"The official must know whether the ball or man is being played by the defending players. He should be able to see if the intended receiver has been given an elbow in the chest, hand in the face, bump by the hips or stomach—and those things happen in fractions of seconds. If the official knows what he is doing and calls them right there will be fewer protests by irate coaches and fans."

Record in Reach

CHARLES BEETHAM

HE'D BE THE GREATEST HALF-MILER THAT EVER LIVED IF HE'D JUST BELIEVE IT, ACCORDING TO LARRY SNYDER, HIS OHIO STATE COACH.

ALL HE NEEDS TO DO IS CHANGE HIS FOLLOWING COMPLEX INTO A TENDENCY TO SET THE PACE AND THE WORLD RECORD IS HIS, SNYDER ASSERTS.

HE IMPROVES HIS FORM BY RUNNING FROM BOTTOM TO THE TOP OF BUCKEYE STADIUM WHEN TRAINING...

## PITT'S POWER IN LINE AIRED

SPECTACULAR RESULTS IN  
ROSE BOWL CLASH ARE  
ANTICIPATED

Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 24. (AP)—The rumbling, uproar you may hear on the afternoon of New Year's Day will be nothing more than a terrific collision between the front line troops of Pittsburgh and Washington in Pasadena's famed football arena, the Rose Bowl.

The commotion should be tremendous, the havoc dreadful, and judging by the sounds emanating from the respective training camps of Pitt and Washington, the results spectacular.

Dr. Jock Sutherland, rated one of the best guards in Pitt history in his playing days, has since taken special pains to fashion good, solid forward walls. On the wings he has two 180-pounders, Fabian Hoffman and Bill Daddio, sophomores. Hoffman was good enough to beat out a regular, and Daddio made Ohio State and Nebraska owe him yardage.

Averell Daniel, 197, at right tackle, and Tony Matisi, 212, both built close to the ground as are most of Sutherland's Panthers, merited All-America mention. Dante Dalle Tezze, Bill Glassford, Albin Lesouski and another youngster or two scale around 100 in a friendly fight to occupy the guard positions.

The weakest point in the line is at center, which caused Sutherland to make over Henry Adams from a sub end in 1935. Adams weighs around 188.

Coach Jimmy Phelan has one of the best all-time Husky lines, starting with a crack pair of ends in Frank Peters and Dick Johnson, who scale 184 and 172, and two of the best tackles on the West Coast in Vic Markov, 205, and Chuck Bond, 210.

Phelan has a nationally-noted guard in 200-pound Max Starevich, and Steve Slivinski, 194, fills the other berth capably. John Wiatrak, 200-pound center, gained All-Coast Conference recognition in many quarters.

FOUR BRONCHO PLAYERS  
ARE NURSING INJURIES

Santa Clara, Calif., Dec. 24. (AP)—Four Santa Clara University football players favored minor injuries Thursday in the last home workout before the squad entrains for New Orleans Friday to meet Louisiana State Jan. 1 in the Sugar Bowl game.

The injured men played regularly most of the season. Left End Frank Smith has a sore ankle, Left Guard Lionel Rodgers a shoulder, "pointer," Right Halfback Manuel Gomez a charleyhorse, and Left Tackle Don De Rosa a lacerated nose and mouth.

Alaska contains a number of volcanoes that have been active in the last century.

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## Tall Tales Mount As Texans Return From Fall Hunts

Houston, Dec. 24. (AP)—Discharged shell, etc.

W. R. Montgomery reported he ran over a full-grown panther with his automobile near San Diego.

"I was rounding a bend," Montgomery says, "and saw what at first looked like a calf. When I got a little closer I could see the animal was a panther. It was crouching I felt it bump between the wheels as the automobile hit it."

Montgomery says he turned his machine and threw the lights on either side of the road but failed to find the panther. He admits he didn't make a very close search.

Jim (Uncle Jim) Diskey of near Point Isabel reports catching an octopus measuring about two feet across, on Padre Island. He says he saw a larger octopus but didn't catch it. The usual story is for the octopus to do the catching.

W. A. (Snake) King of Brownsville does almost anything with animals. He has a college for parrots and prepares the birds for "commercial careers." He trains all sorts of wild animals, including lions and tigers. He buys rattlesnakes by the pound and Mexicans on the ranch of R. T. Daniel near Edinburg pick up considerable pocket money catching the diamond backs for King. Daniel says the Mexicans frequently capture as much as 700 pounds of live snakes in a week. "Snake," experienced as he is with animals, was somewhat surprised, however, when Tiger, a lion-prised, however, when Tiger, a lion-

## JOE LOUIS ACCUSED OF DRAWING COLOR LINE

By SCOTTY RESTON

New York, Dec. 24. (AP)—Jimmy Johnston, a tranquil citizen who wouldn't start a civil war unless he thought it would stir up a little publicity for his fighter, is accusing Joe Louis of drawing the color line.

He says Joe won't fight another Negro. . . . Jimmy claims he offered Joe fights with John Henry Lewis and Jack Trammell, but Joe said no. . . . Jimmy would like to make something out of it. . . . Even at Christmas time.

Maybe you've heard of the Jamaica Kid. . . . In the old days he was the happiest man in the fight racket, a giant, jolly, laughing Negro. . . . He never got very far and finally got to renting himself out as a punching bag at the fight camps. . . . Now he stands outside the New York fight clubs begging. . . . His body is broken, his sight completely gone. . . . Even the laugh is a little hollow now. . . . A sign—the most pathetic sign on Broadway—hangs around his neck: "Please help me. I am Jamaica Kid." It reads. . . . They say, too, that Sam Langford's sight is almost gone now. . . . It has been ebbing for years, and now he can distinguish little more than light and dark. . . .

In picking their all-America football teams, the boys really gave the freedom of the press a workout. . . . Ed Wilcoth of Minnesota, Larry Kelley of Yale and Gaynell Tinsley of L. S. U. were the only players chosen by all the leading selectors. . . . Incidentally, how did Tinsley ever get through three years of football without losing that front name?

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Craig and son, Bobby, are spending the holidays in Lark, Texas, with Mrs. Craig's mother, Mrs. May Dean. They also plan to attend the Amarillo-Kerrville football game in Amarillo.

The Flathead Indian reservation in Montana contains 1,425,000 acres.

## KERRVILLE ON WAY TO PLAINS

Dallas, Dec. 24. (AP)—Headed north with intentions of breaking up a violation of football's "anti-trust" laws, Kerrville's little band of "iron men" Thursday moved towards "marillo and the state schoolboy grid finale Saturday.

Not for 15 years has a South Texas team won a title and Tivy's Antlers, idols of a student boy of 240, intend to do something about that and also

smash Amarillo's monopoly on titles before it reaches three in a row.

Bothered by injuries, the Antlers entrained from San Antonio and expected to hold a light workout at Lubbock before going on to Amarillo Friday.

Panhandle fans, despite tall tales of the Kerrville team that came from nowhere three months ago to the titular game, backed their belief in Coach Cherry's Sandies with 2-1 odds.

The Sandies, themselves, argued last Saturday's skimpy 20-12 victory over a fine Northside team of Fort Worth was an "off day."

Bobby Clessen, the "Sammy Baugh" of Texas high school football who hurried touchdown passes and worked the ball into scoring position with still another flurry of aerials against North Side, was tabbed for more passing duty against the beefy Kerrville team.

Record classified ads get results: 1515 N. Main Vernon, Texas

BASKETBALL SCORES

(By The Associated Press)

Wisconsin 25; Butler 42.

Hawaida All-Stars 35; Oklahoma City University 58.

De Paul University 34; Creighton 23.

Missouri 45; Denver 35.

Drake 28; Wichita 42.

Michigan 50; Washington 33 (over-time).

Utah 22; Colorado 30.

Centenary 35; Milkin 34.

Vacation time in the Kona district schools in Hawaii comes in the Fall, because the children are needed to pick coffee.

The Flathead Indian reservation in Montana contains 1,425,000 acres.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson

ON Oct. 19, 1880, a patent was granted to Mr. and Mrs. Strong of Alabama on a simple chalk mark. This chalk mark was to be placed on a concave flange, to be applied to chairs, tables and other pieces of furniture, and was supposed to keep out ants and other insects.

## BIG CHRISTMAS DANCE AT CEDAR GROVE

FRIDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 25

Music By  
LOWELL RUSHING'S 10-PIECE NEGRO BAND

Admission—Couple \$1.10—Ladies 25c

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We are ready and well equipped to make the best of saddles and harness goods you may need. We have modern equipment and 24 years experience in this line of work.

We are glad to invite our many friends to come to see us in our new business.

On Christmas Eve each married couple that registers here will receive a small Christmas token.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A Happy New Year

Is Our Wish To Everyone Everywhere

FOR MEN CY LONG'S STORE FOR BOYS

...VERNON, TEXAS...



## AUTO WORKERS END WALKOUT

UNION OFFICIAL BRANDS  
SETTLEMENT AT DETROIT  
AS "ARMED TRUCE"

Detroit, Dec. 24. (AP) — Walter Reuther, a union official, said Thursday the agreement ending a strike at the Kelsey-Hayes Wheel Company's two Detroit plants "is an armed truce."

Two thousand members of the United Automobile Workers of Amer-

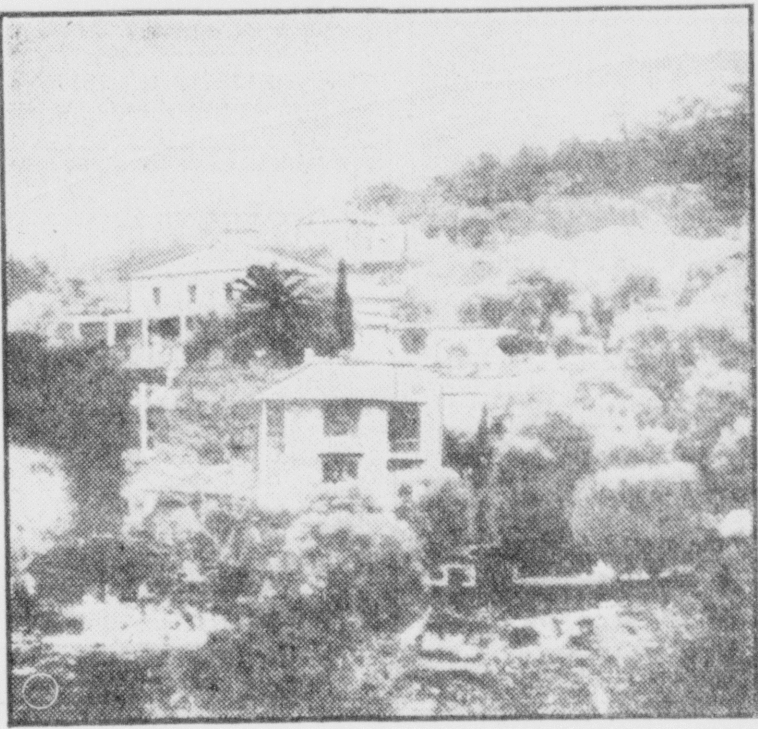
ica accepted Wednesday night the management's proposal to return to work. Operations will be resumed Monday, just two weeks after the strike began.

"This is an armed truce," said Reuther, president of the local union. "It is not a settlement, but it is a victory for the United Automobile Workers."

George W. Kennedy, president of Kelsey-Hayes, said the company had met all the Union's demands when he announced the proposal.

The Detroit branch factory of the Aluminum Company of America also was preparing to resume operations within a few days. Six hundred employees Wednesday accepted terms arranged by Federal labor conciliators to end the 14-day old strike, which left 1,400 employees idle.

## Mrs. Simpson's Haven in Crisis



The ideal location of villa Lou Viel as a refuge for Mrs. Wallis Simpson, after her flight from England, is revealed here. The villa, home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rogers, American friends of Mrs. Simpson and Edward, former king of England, is set in the hills near Cannes, France, and is protected from sightseers by a heavy growth of trees. Mrs. Simpson found seclusion here during England's furor over Edward's love for her and his abdication.

## FARM PROBLEM GIVEN STUDY

NATION'S FARMERS LOOK  
TO NEXT CONGRESS FOR  
STEADY INCOME

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—The Nation's farmers are looking to the new Congress principally for the one thing—assurance of a steady income in good years and bad.

That is an old problem for both the lawmakers and the farmers. Some thought they had a solution in the Agricultural Adjustment Administration plan of crop control but the AAA was held unconstitutional by the Supreme Court early this year.

A soil conservation plan, providing incidentally for control of crops, followed. Many farm leaders doubt this is an adequate solution. Several organizations have petitioned Secretary Wallace for a return to direct crop control.

Wallace has informed them that "something better than the old AAA" can and will be decided. All possibilities for a new program, he said, are being investigated, but no details of what specific suggestions he may make to Congress have been revealed.

In bumper years prices decline and the market is surfeited with unwanted produce. In bad years when droughts, floods, insects and other hazards of nature are rampant the crops are destroyed.

H. B. Tolley, chief of the AAA, claims "nothing less than direct and effective production control for

specific commodities" will prevent the surplus production of bumper years.

To offset the natural disasters which regularly strike the farmer, Secretary Wallace and a special committee have devised an all-risk crop insurance plan at the request of the President. It will be submitted to Congress. It is expected to be limited to wheat in the first year.

Wallace favors payment of both premiums and loss in wheat, under a system that would store grain from "fat" years for use in "lean" years. Several congressmen also have crop insurance plans which vary widely from that favored by the Secretary. Another agricultural problem which may produce legislation is farm tenancy.

Since billions of dollars would be needed to finance all tenants as independent farmers, the Secretary is known to favor a modest experimentation in this field with board activity to improve landlord tenant relationships.

## COLLEGE STUDENTS WILL PRESENT CHURCH PROGRAM

A student night program is being planned for the evening services Sunday at the First Baptist Church. The program is to be presented by nine of the 30 members of the church who are students in colleges of the State. College students from other churches are also invited to attend.

"Surrender to the Will of God" is the program topic of the evening, and those who will appear on the program are as follows: Irvy Cox, Bill Wright, Ray Veteto, and Misses Betty Winston, Faythe McClary, Evelyn Roffe, Mary Hattie Wilson, Lillie Sutherland, Dorothy Mann. The college students will be seated in a body.

## POPE MAKES PEACE PLEA

STRICKEN PONTIFF GIVES  
ANNUAL MESSAGE ON AIR  
FROM SICK BED

Vatican City, Dec. 24. (AP)—Stricken Pope Pius XI offered his human suffering Thursday to God for peace among men for God's own glory, "now more than ever so impiously attacked."

Propped up in bed, his eyes shining, the Pope in halting but fervent tones bespoke to the whole world his horror of "the evil forces" of Communism, which he cried, have brought in Spain, "signs and portents of terrifying reality of what is being prepared for Europe and the whole world, if they do not hasten to adopt the necessary remedies of defense."

Forcing himself on, he mentioned his grief at the "false and fatal" ways of some who fight "Communism and Atheism," yet portray the church "as an avowed enemy of National prosperity and progress."

This was interpreted by Vatican authorities as a reference to Nazi Germany, which, alone of the world's major nations having diplomatic relations with the Holy See, refused Thursday to rebroadcast the Pontiff's address.

It may have been his last Christmas message to Christians. He spoke for 29 minutes through a radio microphone, held to his lips by the Vatican radio director, Father Saccorali.

Frequently he paused to sip from a cup of water. Afterwards he was tired, but thankful.

He was told his words had been heard perfectly in faraway Buenos Aires.

"Thanks be to God!" he cried.

He called "for a union of all men of good will against the propaganda of the enemy"—by which he meant Communism—and prayed that God accept his present suffering "for His own glory, for the conversation of all who have gone astray, for peace and the good of the entire church—and, in particular, for Spain."

Of his own suffering, the Pontiff, ill for more than two weeks of slight paralysis and circulatory congestion, told his millions of listeners:

"The Divine Goodness is granting us an opportunity to contribute to the prayers, the work and the sacrifices of all by the personal experience of suffering, and until now has marvelously spared us."

He spoke slowly, with an obvious attempt at careful diction. But only scattered passages of his speech came strong and clear, as it did before his illness.

## The Christmas Spirit.

Wabash, Ind., Dec. 24. (AP)—John Lockwood wondered when a truck delivered a ton of coal to his general store. Now he understands. It was a Christmas gift from members of the hot stove league who gathered nightly in his store. They explained they thought it was only fair to furnish some of the heat they absorb during the course of a winter.

## New President of Cuba Is Veteran In Public Office

Havana, Dec. 24. (AP)—Dr. Federico Laredo Bru, who as Vice President automatically succeeded ousted President Gomez as Chief Executive of the Republic of Cuba, was born in the town of San Juan De Los Remedios, Santa Clara Province, April 23, 1875.

At the age of 20 he enlisted in the war against Spain and rose to the rank of colonel. His first public office was Secretary of the Audiencia Court of Santa Clara Province in 1900.

Seven years later he was named President of the court.

In 1911 he was named Secretary of the Interior in the Cabinet of President Jose Miguel Gomez, father of Miguel Mariano Gomez. In that post he supervised the 1911 elections in which Gen. Mario G. Menocal was elected to succeed the elder Gomez.

He retired from politics in 1913 and opened a law office in Cienfuegos.

He became a cabinet member again in August, 1933, after the downfall of President Gerardo Machado, and served less than three weeks with the government of Carlos Manuel de Cespedes who was ousted by a military coup Sept. 4, 1933.

During the administration of President Carlos Mendieta in 1934, Dr. Laredo Bru became president of the council of State of the National Government.

He was one of the original organizers of the Nationalist Union Party of which President Mendieta was the leader and wrote a new penal code for Cuba, which becomes effective in 1935.

Dr. Laredo Bru married Eleonora Montes. They have no children.

An abstainer from tobacco in any form, he has kept "no smoking" signs posted in his living quarters.

## New Menu.

Alley, Ga., Dec. 24. (AP)—Congressman Hugh Peterson planned a squash dinner for Christmas, but it's going to be 'possum instead. When he went to get the squabs he found the 'possum—looking guilty—but no pigeons in the roost.

The first religion of the Arabs was the worship of the stars.

**666** COLDs and FEVER

Liquid, Tablets, first day, 30 Minutes  
Solve, Nose Drops, 30 Minutes  
Try "Rub-My-Tiss"—World's Best Liniment

This time of year always brings on added problems of getting ready for holidays. Whether you visit or have company you require not necessarily new clothing but clean clothing. Let us relieve you of this problem now and rest assured your clothes will be returned to you in first class condition ready for any occasion.

EMPIRE CLEANERS  
1825 Cumberland St. Phone 60

Merry Prosperity.  
Louisville, Neb., Dec. 24. (AP)—Louisville had three good reasons for joyful Christmas carols. Every wage earner has a job. Every extra room is rented. Every employee in a

ment plant, the town's major industry, will get a bonus equivalent to two weeks' pay.  
Thomas Murdock, a Scotchman, invented the gas tip.

## We Wish You MUCH HAPPINESS

For 1937

A big share of our assets is the good will you have shown toward us. As the New Year begins, we place your friendship as the greatest single item on the inventory of our business.

We are grateful for this, so therefore we greet you in all sincerity at this season and express the hope that 1937 will be good to you in every way!

## Freese Bakery

J. K. FREESE AND EMPLOYEES

## Please Accept Our GENUINE GRATITUDE

The year now closing has been one in which you have honored us with your confidence and patronage, and we want you to know that we are genuinely grateful.

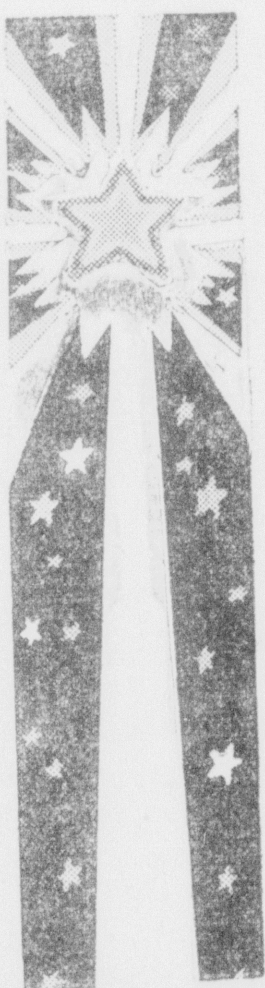
As we move onward into the New Year, we bespeak your continued support and pledge ourselves to leave nothing undone that will work to your better service and satisfaction.

## Dollar Down Furniture Co.

Phone 571

Vernon, Texas

## Christmas Comes But Once a Year---But Every Year Brings Christmas

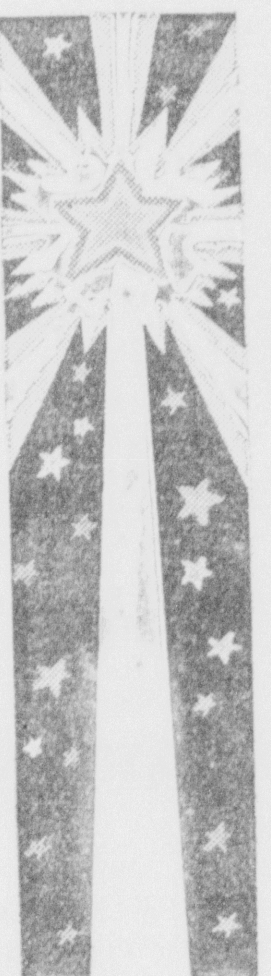


MERRY CHRISTMAS  
1936

At this time, when the essence of Christmas transforms the world, we greet you joyfully in the spirit of the season hoping that old Saint Nicholas will bring a bag full of gifts to hang by your fireside.

May you have PEACE and TRANQUILITY, HEALTH and PROSPERITY, and HAPPINESS without measure

And when 1937 comes stealing across the threshold of Time, may he bring you twelve months packed and jammed with the realization of your fondest dreams of achievement.



HAPPY NEW YEAR  
1937

THE ENTIRE PERSONNEL OF

# THE WAGGONER NATIONAL BANK

"The Oldest Bank in Wilbarger County"



## TOM BLANTON FILES SUIT

CLYDE GARRETT AND TWO OTHERS ARE NAMED IN LIBEL ACTION

Abilene, Dec. 24. (P)—Thomas L. Blanton, retiring Congressman from the Seventeenth District, has named Clyde L. Garrett of Eastland, who defeated him for re-nomination this year, and two others as defendants in a \$100,000 civil suit for libel.

Named with Garrett in the action filed in Forty-second District Court here Wednesday were J. W. Cockrell of German and E. E. Layton of Eastland, described as leaders in Garrett's campaign.

Into a 48-page petition Blanton placed numerous copies of circulars and newspaper advertisements as exhibits figuring in his charges. The suit asks \$50,000 compensatory and \$50,000 punitive damages.

### WARM WEATHER FOR CHRISTMAS FORECAST

Dallas, Dec. 24. (P)—The United States Weather Bureau Thursday forecast warm Christmas weather for Texas. Little change in temperature will be apparent in the State, meteorologists said. West Texas will be mostly cloudy. East Texas will be partly cloudy probably becoming slightly unsettled in the south and west portions Christmas Day.

## TEXAN BOOSTS ICKES AS CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

San Antonio, Dec. 24. (P)—Representative Maury Maverick, Democrat, Texas, said Thursday an "Ickes for President" Club was being organized.

Maverick said he had been in communication with Progressive leaders of business and industry and labor, and that the idea of launching an early campaign was meeting with good response.

Maverick declared: "I am for Harold L. Ickes because he is the most forceful, direct, and forthright man in speech and action in the Administration."

"The Public Works Administration has been the outstanding success of the first term of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, and it has been under the direction of the Department of Interior."

### PLANES RESUME LEAD IN SEARCH FOR LOST SHIPS

Spokane, Wash., Dec. 24. (P)—Battled ground searchers looked to the air Thursday in their hunt for nine persons in two wrecked Western Air transports.

After one party had given up its search in falling snow for the Northwest Airlines mail plane, wrecked with two pilots aboard in North Idaho, a second group on snowshoes waited on mile high Cemetery Ridge for an airplane observer's aid in leading them to the wreck scene.

The other search, in its 10th day, was in the rugged southwestern sector of Utah, where a Western Air Express transport dropped from sight with seven aboard.

## Stock Boom Puts Exchange in Spotlight Again



Up! Up! Up! go stock prices, turning the nation's attention again to Wall Street—in other words, the New York Stock Exchange, world's greatest securities market. Here is a new and exclusive picture of the milling throng of brokers, clerks and messengers at work on the trading floor, clustered around the 17 U-shaped trading posts where millions of dollars of securities change hands daily.

### PITTMAN EMPHASIZES NEED FOR NEW NEUTRALITY ACT

Washington, Dec. 24. (P)—Chairman Pittman, Democrat, Nevada, of the Senate foreign relations committee said Thursday "imminent danger" of another World War makes enactment of new neutrality legislation the most important task confronting Congress.

Assuring "we must act as if we knew there was going to be a war next Spring," he said he was studying several proposals for a stronger neutrality law. The present act expires May 1.

### MARQUETTE TEAM GOES TO DALLAS FOR TRAINING

Dallas, Dec. 24. (P)—Marquette's formidable grid team broke training camp at Durant Thursday and headed for Dallas to complete its preparations for the post-season classic in the Cotton Bowl against Texas Christian University.

Dallas prepared a ceremonious welcome for the Mid-Westerners, arranging for Mayor George Seeger to present them the key to the city.

### LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss Elizabeth Ann Christian of Dallas is here to spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Ross, and family. Jack Christian of Dallas is expected here Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Rogers and little daughter, Kay Frances, of Greenville, will spend Christmas with relatives here.

Mrs. L. L. Lowrey of Dallas will visit relatives in Vernon during the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Taylor of Corpus Christi are here to spend the holidays with Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Davis, and other relatives.

Arms Plan Dropped. Geneva, Dec. 24. (P)—The League of Nations' Council President officially announced Thursday abandonment of the plan of convocation of

the steering committee for a 1936 disarmament conference. It was decided to let the council in its January session fix the date for its first disarmament meeting.

### Firemen Send Greetings.

Appreciation for the cooperation of Vernon people in preventing fires this year is expressed by the Vernon Volunteer Fire Department. Christmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year are also expressed to the citizens of this city in a message signed by H. E. Reed, president; V. L. Porter, secretary, and John D. Huntley, chief, of the department.

### Whisky Stocks Up

Washington, Dec. 24. (P)—The Treasury reported Thursday November whisky production of 18,867,613 gallons boosted warehouse stocks to 351,317,951 gallons, largest in the country's history. The pre-prohibition peak was 278,108,000 gallons in 1914.

## THIS CURIOUS WORLD By William Ferguson



THE Arctic musk-ox is related to both the cattle and sheep groups, but the relationship is not close in either case. The "musk" part of the name is well founded, however, due to the musky odor of the animal, which, some naturalists say, permeates even the flesh.

A TERMITE QUEEN CAN LAY 80,000 EGGS IN A SINGLE DAY!

IN SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA, IN ORDER TO RID THE COUNTRY OF CROWS, A NUMBER OF THE BIRDS WERE BANNED AND RELEASED, WITH REWARDS OFFERED FOR THEIR RECAPTURE. ONE BIRD CARRIES A PRICE OF \$500.

### STORIES IN STAMPS By I. S. Klein

#### THE GREAT ADMIRAL DEGRADED.



BETWEEN 1493 and 1498 Christopher Columbus had made a second trip to the West Indies and had explored new shores. But his third journey in 1498 brought discontent and mutiny among two groups of his men, and finally caused his own imprisonment on false charges.

Queen Isabella sent an officer of the royal household, Francisco de Bobadilla, to investigate the charges against Columbus. The mutineers were all too ready to incriminate their leader, and Bobadilla was too eager to display his power. And so, the humbled Columbus was put in chains and sent back to Spain for trial.

But when the navigator, now about 56 years old, appeared before Isabella, the queen broke into tears. She ordered Columbus released, put more money at his disposal, and restored him to royal favor.

This is the subject of a painting by Francisco Jover, which is reproduced on the 8-cent stamp in the Columbus series issued by the United States in 1893.

U. S.—1893  
Columbus Restored to Royal Favor  
8c magenta

## The Best Yet!

That's the Kind of Christmas We Hope You Have

As our greeting, let us express the wish that Christmas 1936 will be the sweetest Yuletide that has ever come to you. May you and all those who are dear to you be richly blessed with the season's best, and may the New Year be a period of new and greater happiness.

A. J. Carpenter

Rubber footwear exports from the United States in 1935 amounted to only 933 pairs, or 14 per cent of aggregate world exports.

The name Mexico is derived from "Meritli," the Aztec's name for their war god.

Football Players Honored. Correll, Dec. 24. (P)—E. L. Keeton, Hillsboro Eagle end, and Thomas Moore, Waco backfield ace, were awarded gold footballs emblematic of their selection as the best line-man and back, respectively, in District 11 at a banquet for Central Texas sports writers held in Waco Wednesday night.

We Wish You A BRIGHT And CHERRY CHRISTMAS!

To You, our friends, we offer the hope that Christmas will find you wealthy in PEACE, HAPPINESS and Plenty of CONFIDENCE in the PROMISING DAYS of THE NEW YEAR!

M. E. Moses Co.  
5-10-25c to \$1.00



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W. D. CURTIS

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AND ALL THE "HANDS"

Wish For You And Yours

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS

And Happiness Throughout

## THE NEW YEAR

## VERN-TEX DAIRY

"Vernon's Milk Man"

Phone 312

## The Best Things Of Christmas Are Free!

THE CHEERY GREETING.....THE NEIGHBORLY HANDCLASP.....THE SMILING FACES OF LOVED ONES.....THE FRIENDLINESS.....THE COMRADESHIP.

In this spirit we greet you at this glad some season, and express the hope that Christmas will extend in memory all through the days of the New Year.

## Motor Supply

W. V. ALVEY

## We Greet You At Christmas!

With all good wishes for a joyous holiday season we greet you this Christmas-tide.

May the season be filled with happiness, and the New Year bring you an unparalleled measure of success.

## The City Tailor Shop

ROY STINE, Prop.

WE WISH YOU AND YOURS A

## MERRY HOLIDAY SEASON

May your Christmas be merry and may the New Year deal kindly with your dreams and ambitions.

H. G. LEONARD Lumber Company





# STATE DEFICIT ON INCREASE

## TREASURY PROBLEMS SEEN AS MAJOR WORRY FOR NEXT LEGISLATURE

Austin, Dec. 24. (P)—The total cost of state government in Texas increased by several million dollars the past year and all signs point to a further increase in the next.

Ways of meeting the growing problem of financing probably will occupy a large part of the time of the regular session of the Legislature convening in January. While some sentiment for cutting expenses has appeared, few persons expect material reduction.

### Pay for Service.

"The whole thing simmers down to this," says Claude Teer, chairman of the board of control. "If the people want more service from government they will have to foot the bill."

"Before completing an official report, experts of the Comptroller's Department estimated tentatively that total expenditures for 1936 would approximate \$125,000,000, about \$14,000,000 more than in 1935. Similarly they estimated receipts roughly at \$125,000,000, and increase of about \$15,000,000 over the previous year. Most of the increases in expenditures were due to adoption of an old age assistance program, which to date has cost the State approximately \$4,256,800, of which \$3,819,400 was used to pay pensions and \$437,400 for administration. This was State money spent and did not include Federal funds.

Future cost of the program will depend on the number of persons placed on the pension rolls. Despite deliberation of the law by the last Legislature, Orville S. Carpenter, Old Age Assistance Director, estimates the rolls probably will be stabilized ultimately at around 100,000.

Increase in the State's receipts, experts say, was due principally to larger yields from the gasoline, cigarette, oil gross receipts, and other taxes, as well as returns from new

taxes, such as that on liquor. Enforcement of revenue laws generally was tightened the past year.

### Cost Figured.

At the same time, it was pointed out that the actual cost of administering the Government services has not increased in proportion to the grand total of expenditure. In 1935, administration cost about seven per cent of the whole. Highways received 41 1/2 and education 36 per cent.

In the last year the deficit in the general revenue fund increased about \$2,000,000, making the total between \$13,000,000 and \$14,000,000. The increase was attributed chiefly to an appropriation of \$3,000,000 to help the Centennial celebration and application of \$2,700,000 on retirement of the \$20,000,000 "bread" relief bonds issued at the height of depression. The payment on the bonds was the second made and will continue annually until 1943.

The deficit in the general fund does not mean that the State, considering its finances as a whole, is that far "in the red." It has money in various funds, but constitutional and legislative checks prevent use of such money for general revenue purposes and the latter, for all practical purposes, is that far off a cash basis.

### Still Climbing.

Two views of the general revenue situation are found. One holds that a good-sized deficit is a good thing for the State in that it discourages reckless spending. The other is that the deficit has increased to point where good business would advise steps, if not to reduce it, at least to keep it from growing.

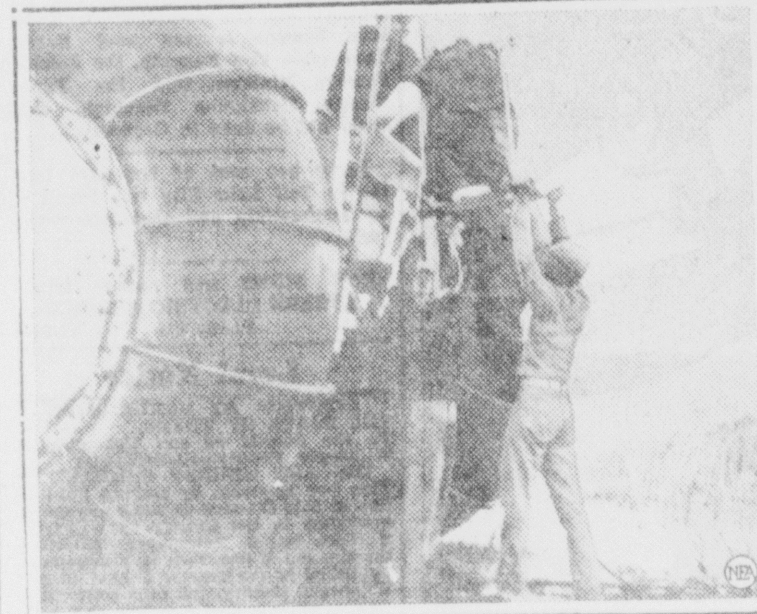
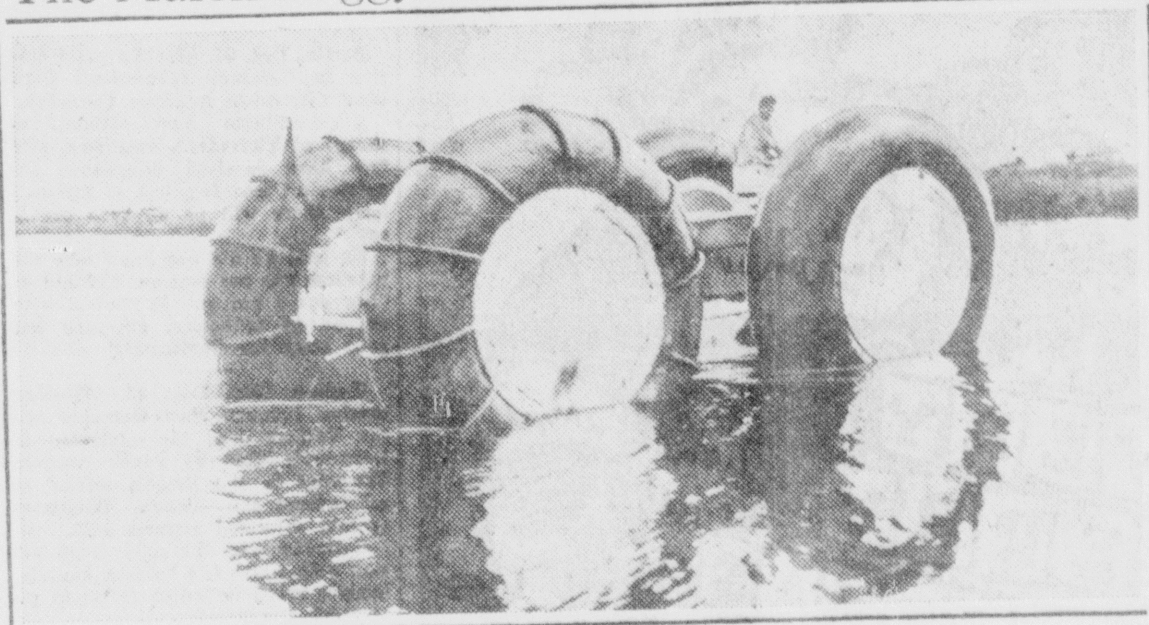
As an indication of the trend, the 1937-38 budget for the eleemosynary institutions, under preparation, probably will show a considerable increase over the past two years, and that of the current biennium was \$2,000,000 greater than the previous one.

### Trotzky on High Seas.

Oslo, Norway, Dec. 24. (P)—An emaciated and wandering Leon Trotsky will spend Christmas on the high seas, bound for Mexico—the only nation willing to shelter the exiled Russian Bolshevik after his asylum in Norway was terminated.

Many rare orchids bloom unnoticed in the wilderness of India.

## The Marsh Buggy—for Heavy Sea or Rough Road



These are not pictures of the landing gear for the newest super-super airplane. They merely introduce the Marsh Buggy, which now is bobbing across the bayous and wading through the mud of Louisiana lowlands in search of oil. When engineers of a Pittsburgh oil firm found difficulty negotiating the marshlands by foot and canoe, they devised the vehicle, which, on its 10-foot rubber tires, travels over land, as at left, or through water and swamps, top photo, with equal facility. It carries a marine license, and has automobile lights and horn. Engineers now carry their heavy equipment with them and conduct tests without regard for the terrain. Treads on the tires are inflated pieces of hose. The Marsh Buggy weighs 7500 pounds over all, yet sinks but two feet in water.

## Midnight Mass Is Arranged at Catholic Church

Midnight mass at the Holy Family Catholic Church of Vernon will be conducted tonight by the pastor, Rev. E. J. Gerlich. Numbers by the choir will begin at 11:30 o'clock.

The musical program has been announced as follows:

Children's Choir—"What Lovely Infant Can This Be?"  
"Macula Non Est In Te."  
"Away in a Manger."  
Choir—"Nesem Vam Noving"—Bohemian Carol.  
"Silent Night, Holy Night"—Gruber.  
Leonard's Mass in E. Flat.  
Offertory—"Adeste Fideles"—Novello—Mrs. L. A. Cummins and choir.

The choir members are Mrs. J. A. Huber and Mrs. Cummins, soprano; Miss Helen Troff, alto; J. P. Donahue, tenor, and Frank Tomasi, bass.

### E. L. WITTY

All Kinds of Insurance in Old Line Companies  
Phone 409

Just An Old-Fashioned Greeting—

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the day bring you a Wealth of Happiness and Joy, rewarding you with all the objects of your best desire. Let us thank you, also, for your patronage during the year and hope that your New Year will be a good one.

Coney Island Cafe

## Christmas Joy To You and Yours

Valuing your friendship and loyalty as we do, we want to broadcast our Christmas greetings far and wide to each and every resident of this community, young and old alike.

We hope that your Christmas will be one of great joy and that your New Year will be full of the things that you most want.

Vernon Storage Battery Co.

JOHN TRUELOVE, Prop.

## Wishing You A Merry Christmas

TO OUR FRIENDS BOTH OLD AND NEW WE EXTEND THIS SINCERE GREETING

We wish for you an abundance of all the blessings that the spirit of Christmas can bestow, a liberal and overflowing measure of happiness, contentment, peace and prosperity.

Post Office Service Sta.

HORACE PHELPS, Mgr.

Phone 1054

Vernon, Texas

## OPTIMISM HEARD AMONG LEADERS OF SHEEPMEN

Salt Lake City, Dec. 24. (P)—Notes of optimism for 1937 sounded from the sheep industry Thursday, despite unsatisfactory lamb prices.

Said F. R. Marshall, secretary of the National Wool-Growers' Association:

"Although 1936 has marked a material advance in general business conditions over 1935, the sheep industry has had less satisfactory returns from marketing of the 1936 crops of wool and lambs. This fact was caused chiefly by the unexpected, very low prices for lambs which still are in effect.

"Confidence that the situation in respect to lamb supply and demand will right itself in time for 1937 marketings is the basis for the ex-

pectation for larger net returns next year."

James A. Hooper, secretary of the Utah Wool Men's Organization, likewise radiated confidence.

"The sheep industry as it pertains to the inter-mountain country, offers more optimism as 1936 ends than at any other time since 1928, and a better price position than at any time since 1929."

Women workers in Texas WPA sewing rooms manufactured more than 4,700,000 garments last year for distribution to the destitute.

## G. Chas. Knauf CHIROPRACTOR

Opposite City Hall  
Vernon Phone 667  
Residence Phone 861

## IF WISHES HAD WINGS

—Our Best Wishes Would Come Flying to Your Home at This Glad Christmas Season

Our Christmas Wish for You is neither new nor unusual, but it is packed with friendly sincerity.

We hope you will be visited by dreams that come true and by hopes that have a rich fulfillment.

And when the New Year comes sailing over the horizon of time, we hope that it brings you twelve months of undiluted achievement of your finest plans.

LADD MOTOR CO.

PHONE 344

VERNON, TEXAS

KNOCK! KNOCK!

Who's There?

Christmas!

Christmas Who?

Christmas Greetings!

We don't mean to be flippant or facetious, but the form of Christmas greetings changes with the years, though the spirit of the season stays sweetly the same all through the centuries.

Our honest hope is that you who have been so generous with your friendship to us will be blessed with a Christmas rich and satisfying far beyond your expectations, and that your New Year will be the one in which your dreams come true.

The Model Cleaners, Inc.

Phone 66

## Let the Joyous Bells Of Christmas Ring Out Merrily!

It is our hope that they will ring a message of peace and well-being for you and yours, echoing and re-echoing through all the days of the New Year, as you go onward with confidence and courage to the opportunities of 1937.

Astons Spic & Span Market



May this joyful season find you blessed with the presence of your loved ones, happy in your work, secure in your home, ambitious for the future and full of the spirit that makes Christmas the greatest day in the entire year.

Your friendship, and the continued patronage that has enabled this store to grow and grow as the years go by, is considered our most valuable asset.

White House Market

W. V. COOPER

DELBERT WEBB

A. K. (Pat) Knight

Clint Coleman

Lewis Gribble

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Lane Clifton of Kenedy arrived Thursday morning for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clifton.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Gibson have as their guest during the Christmas holidays, their son, Cope, who is attending Schreiner Institute at Kerrville.

Travis Rogers, who is attending Baylor University, Waco, will spend Christmas here with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Rogers.

Wayne Smith is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Smith. He is a student at Altus Junior College, Altus, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lofland are spending Christmas in Austin with a daughter, Miss Mary Earle Lofland. Their son, Bill Lofland, a student of T. M. C. Terrell, accompanied them.

Jack Snell of Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla., is at home to visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Snell, during the Christmas vacation.

Bill Lane, a student at the University of Texas, Austin, arrived Thursday morning to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Lane.

Wayne Robinson of Stephenville is visiting his mother, Mrs. A. J. Robinson. He is a student at John Tarleton Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Miss Frances Brown, student at the University of Texas medical school at Galveston, is expected home Thursday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown.

Visiting Mrs. C. M. Blair during the Christmas holidays are Mr. and Mrs. Robert K. Blair of Galveston.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles M. Blair of Webster Groves, Mo., and William Paul Blair, a student in the University of Texas law school.

Dr. James A. Anderson of Conway, Ark., arrived Wednesday afternoon to spend the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. McClendon. Mrs. McClendon is his daughter.

Mrs. Lessa K. Stevens and son, Karrol, of Georgetown, Ill., is visiting during the holidays in the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Suffern. Mrs. Stevens is a niece of Mrs. Suffern.

Miss Mary Hope Westbrook of Austin arrived Wednesday afternoon to spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. Hope Westbrook, and her sister, Mrs. E. A. Vernon.

F. L. Rennels, a student at Texas A. & M. College, College Station, is here to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rennels.

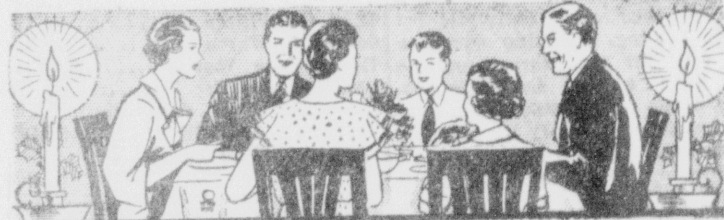
Leil Buchanan of Austin is expected to arrive Thursday to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Myrtle Buchanan.

Cy Long, Jr., a student at the University of Texas, at Austin will arrive today to spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cy Long.

Jimmy Hardison, who is attending North Texas State Teachers College, Denton, is at home to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hardison.

Misses Dorothy Mann and Winnie Sharp of Texas Technological College, Lubbock, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Mann, and Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Sharp.

William Aston, a student at the University of Texas medical school at Galveston, and Miss Blanche Aston, who attends the University of



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And A

Happy New Year

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## "Merry Christmas."

At this season it is customary to salute friends and acquaintances with a "Merry Christmas." It has be-  
come almost a trite and has lost much  
of its meaning, and yet in the most  
perfunctory use of the term there is  
something of cheer and good will.

Among the peoples of the world  
there are various beliefs concerning  
the one for which Christmas is the  
birth anniversary. To some he is  
God. To others he is merely a great  
teacher. To others he is a prophet  
and to still others he is an interest-  
ing historical figure who demon-  
strated powers of personality far be-  
yond that of ordinary men. But all  
are agreed as to the beauty and sim-  
plicity of his life and, regardless of  
beliefs in other directions, they can  
join with all sincerity in the celebra-  
tion of the beginning of an era in  
which love rather than hate, peace  
rather than war, giving rather than  
getting, freedom rather than slavery  
were the accepted ideals.

After almost nineteen centuries,  
the goal is unachieved but mankind  
is richer by reason of the effort to  
reach the goal. The very act of striv-  
ing and hoping and working for the  
kingdom of peace has resulted in  
progress, far more progress in that  
direction than mankind had achieved  
in all the ages that had gone before.  
These ideals were not the inventions  
of this teacher. Other teachers and  
philosophers had given expression to  
them in some form or other long be-  
fore the coming of this teacher. But  
he gave them a vitality which they  
had previously lacked. They were  
taken out of the realm of abstract  
philosophy and made a part of the  
every-day program of life. Thus they  
became something to do, rather than  
something to talk about.

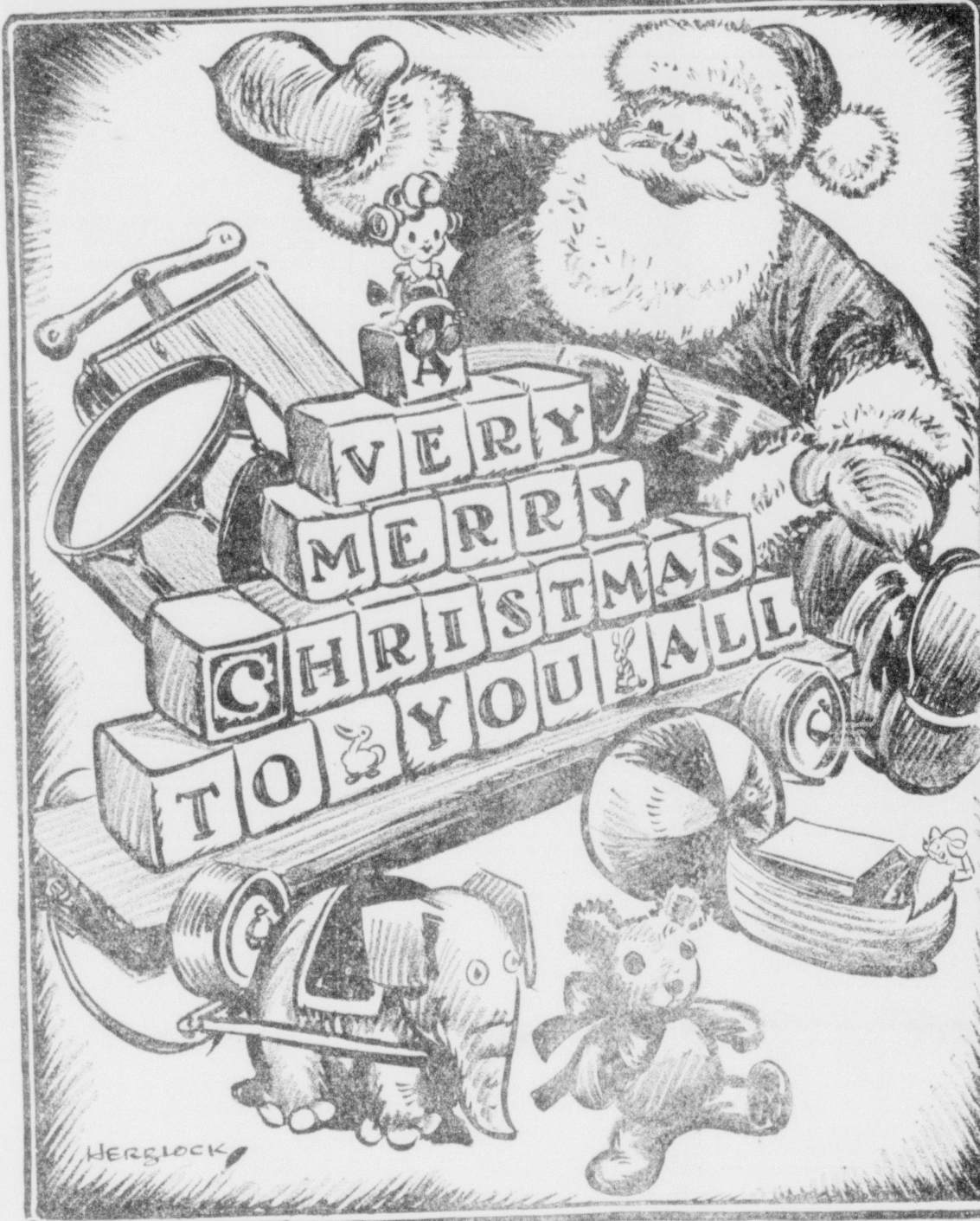
But, of course, the real explanation  
lies in the fact that these ideals  
were imparted to the poor and there  
was for the first time the applica-  
tion of the supremely wise princi-  
ple of reforming the world by rely-  
ing upon individuals—men, women  
and children—to do the job without  
the aid of proclamations of royalty  
or so-called wise men. It was as sim-  
ple as the process of a seed falling  
into the ground or of the heaven in  
the soil.

So men of all races and religions  
today revere this much to the Car-  
penter of Nazareth and acknowledge  
that he brought something fine and  
good into life that helped to meet its  
problems. So around the world the  
salutation, "Merry Christmas," car-  
ries a message of hope and good will.  
It means more to some than to oth-  
ers, but to all is one of the most  
beautiful things that has ever come  
into a world of selfishness.

## The Trailer Problem.

That State and Federal govern-  
mental agencies are increasingly  
concerned with the growing number  
of automobile trailers which has ap-  
peared on the highways in the past  
few years is evidenced by the Reset-  
tlement Administration's study of the  
installation of trailer camps for in-  
habiting families in the low income  
group and the Texas State Depart-  
ment of Health's recently authorized  
study of the problem.

For the transient laborer of small  
income the trailer perhaps offers a  
better type of home than would oth-  
erwise be available. Many of the  
trailers are home-made contraptions  
which were built at low cost. This  
type of trailer far outnumbers the  
expensive house-on-wheels of the  
wealthier classes. And it is the pro-  
spective increase in this type of trailer  
which brings many problems to



## OIL BOOM IN 1937 IS SEEN

### COMMISSION CHAIRMAN IS ENTHUSIASTIC OVER OUTLOOK FOR YEAR

## Arkansas Girl Gets New Face For Christmas

### St. Louis, Dec. 24. (AP)—The "girl with a new face," 18-year-old Ruth Williams of Eldorado, Ark., said Wednesday in a letter to surgeons who aided her that she feels "like spending every hour of my life peeping into a mirror."

Austin, Dec. 24. (AP)—Ernest O. Thompson, chairman of the Railroad Commission, predicted that 1937 would bring the greatest prosperity in the oil business that America has ever seen.

During the past year, he said, the Commission has managed to keep both the oil producer and the consumer satisfied. "Producers of petroleum are getting a good price for their raw product."

In support of his forecast for 1937, the head of the State's oil conservation agency said that "oil reserves above the ground have been reduced fifty million barrels and it is generally conceded not more than 50 days' supply remains."

"The State's regulatory authorities," he said, "are truly and sincerely practicing conservation. Physical waste in the production of petroleum is being prevented. The oil states compact has proved to be a legal, constitutional method by which States can cooperate to eliminate such waste. It waste is prevented in production, current consumption can meet the ideal balance between supply and demand."

"It is a source of pride and satisfaction that the oil States, through the compact, have been able to successfully work out our own production control problems without Federal interference."

"After a maze of some 2,000 lawsuits, Texas stands today without a single injunction against our regulatory efforts with regard to oil production."

Thompson estimated crude oil production brought \$416,952,200 into Texas this year, and natural gas and its products, \$67,292,572.

Fort Worth, Dec. 24. (AP)—Christmas mail is so heavy in Fort Worth they are having to use an ambulance to deliver it.

All records were broken for a single day's business when the local office handled 489,966 pieces of mail Tuesday.

In addition to the flotilla of 25 trucks operated by the post office,

the mail carriers also pressed into service all the trucks owned by other governmental departments here.

This included the ambulance at the Lake Worth CCC camp.

## WASHINGTON PRINCIPAL EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

### T. W. Cole, principal of the Book-er T. Washington School, expressed Wednesday appreciation of his people to citizens of the city who made possible a Christmas tree for Negro children of Vernon. He especially commented upon the efforts of Mrs. R. D. King and Mrs. J. A. Huber and members of the Vernon Business and Professional Women's Club during the past three years in spreading Christmas cheer to the Negroes of Vernon.

## NEGRO RUNS AMUCK ON TRANSCONTINENTAL BUS

### St. George, Utah, Dec. 24. (AP)—A Kansas Negro, wielding a pocket-knife whetted to razor sharpness, slashed two passengers and threatened others Wednesday before being overpowered on a transcontinental bus.

Sheriff A. B. Prince said the Negro, who gave the name William Rollins, 54, of Chanute, Kan., "just apparently went insane" and was "threatening to kill everyone on the bus" when he was "talked out of it" by the driver and plied with a passenger.

## MISSION TO SETTLE WAR DEBT SEEN BY DIPLOMATS

### Paris, Dec. 24. (AP)—Official announcement of the appointment of Georges Bonnet as Ambassador to Washington with a special mission to settle France's war debt to the United States was believed Wednesday in informed diplomatic circles to be imminent.

## Friends of Bonnet, former Minister of Commerce and longtime advocate of close Franco-American commercial friendship, said he definitely had accepted the post.

Members commonly use the bow and arrow to shoot fish.

## NEW STEAMERS ORDERED.

### San Francisco, Dec. 24. (AP)—The Standard Oil Company has contracted with the Sun Ship and Dry Dock Co., of Chester, Pa., for construction of two 12,900-ton tankers. The ships will have a capacity of more than 100,000 barrels of oil and will be driven by steam turbines.

## FOR RENT—Vacuum cleaners, 50c per day.

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## NEED FOR UNDERSTANDING

### London, Dec. 24. (AP)—Lord Beaverbrook's Evening Standard, objecting to criticism of former King Edward by the Archbishop of York, said "the need for restraint, understanding and patience is not less now when the nation has to overcome a deep sense of loss."

## "The crisis ended Dec. 10 with the abdication," the newspaper said in an editorial. "After that event, whatever a man's views might have been during the crisis and at the climax, it became his highest duty to submit himself to a self-denying ordinance directed against recrimination."

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## NAZIS REFUSE TO GIVE BROADCAST FROM VATICAN

### Berlin, Dec. 24. (AP)—No radio station in Germany rebroadcast Pope Pius' Christmas message Thursday.

### A subordinate Nazi official, in charge of Thursday's programs, said "we have received telephoned inquiries all morning, but so far as I know there will be no such broadcast."

He said he did not know why the program was not sent out and added: "Nor can I put you in contact with anyone in authority, everyone has gone home for Christmas."

## VATICAN CITY, DEC. 24. (AP)—New tension between Nazi Germany and the Vatican over the education of Germany's Catholic youth resulted Thursday in the Reich's refusal to rebroadcast the Pope's Christmas speech, informed sources said.

### Germany was the only large nation with which the Vatican has diplomatic relations which failed to retransmit the speech.

Several days ago, Vatican diplomats asked several governments to arrange for the re-broadcast. However, Vatican sources said Baron Konstantin Von Neurath, the Reich's Foreign Minister, told the Papal Nuncio, Monsignor Orsenigo, this could not be done in Germany.

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## Lost—Found—Strayed

### LOST—In West part of Vernon, lady's brown leather purse with zipper fastening containing money and papers belonging to Mrs. Della House. Reward.



## SUGAR POLICY RULES ISLAND

CUBAN CRISIS MAY CAUSE REACTION IN COST OF PRODUCT IN U. S.

New York, Dec. 24. (P)—Sugar, the white gold foundation of Cuba's economic life, again is dictating destiny for the island Republic.

The sugar tax dispute that put an end to Miguel Mariano Gomez' tenure in the Cuban presidency and brought Gomez' prediction of a swing from democracy to Fascism, may be reflected in the cost of filling the family sugar bowls in the United States.

A nine-cents-a-bag sugar tax to finance Army controlled civil-military schools was the issue in which Gomez was impeached.

Defeat of Gomez won passage of the sugar tax bill designed to provide \$1,500,000 for 3,000 rural schools which will be in charge of Army Sergeants. At present there are 700 such schools.

While the United States gave up, under the Platt amendment, its right

## \$1,600,000 Goes With Divorce



The huge cash settlement of \$1,600,000 was won by Mrs. Emily Milliken Lambert, upper photo, with the divorce which she was granted from J. D. Wooster Lambert, lower photo, multi-millionaire sportsman and former pharmaceutical company official. Monthly payments for support of their two sons also were awarded Mrs. Lambert, who charged mental cruelty.

of intervention "to assure a Government adequate for the protection of life, property and individual liberty," it still wields a powerful influence in that this country is the chief customer for Cuba's sugar and other agricultural products.

Agrippina, wife of Emperor Claudius, was born on the site of Cologne, where a Roman colony was planted in 50 A. D.

Record classified ads get results.

## County Briefs

### ROCK CROSSING

Rock Crossing.—Mr. Hugh Campsey has returned to Throckmorton after a two day business trip at Rock Crossing.

Ben Cox of Oklahoma City visited in Rock Crossing this week.

Miss Bonnie Douglas is spending Christmas in McKinney with relatives.

Miss Margaret Wisener is spending Christmas in Fletcher, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. McAnelly are spending Christmas in Tulsa, and Bartlesville.

Miss Estell McClusky is visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lloyd during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Leggett and daughter, are spending the Christmas holidays in Lawton, Okla., with Mr. Leggett's father and mother.

Mr. G. B. Hughes of KMA is visiting his daughters, Mrs. W. F. Edson, and Miss Grace Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sturm and children are spending the Christmas period in Bartlesville, Okla.

Mr. W. F. Edson is reported resting fairly well after submitting to a major operation in a Vernon hospital.

Mr. Clark Yeates and Mrs. J. E. Stark are spending the holidays in Bartlesville, Okla.

Mrs. Ira Richards returned to Weir, Kan., after spending several days here visiting relatives at Rock Crossing.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. McAnelly returned to Maud, Okla., after several weeks visit with their son, Mr. M. D. McAnelly.

Mr. and Mrs. Banks Campsey of Throckmorton are visiting relatives and friends here this week.

### NORTHSIDE

Northside.—Mr. and Mrs. Everett Adkins spent the weekend visiting relatives in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Fulcher and daughters are spending the holidays in Bowie and Wichita Falls.

Miss Susie Johnson is spending the holidays with relatives in Crowell.

Rev. Guy Bellamy of Oklahoma City, former pastor of the Fargo Baptist Church, will preach at both morning and evening services at the Fargo church next Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Lee Mosley of Sayre, Okla., who have been visiting for the past two weeks in the J. W. Dockery home, left Monday for Los Cruces, N. M., to spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Noah Brookerson.

O. W. Stowe, who has been quite ill with bronchial pneumonia, is much improved.

Roy Fulcher of Wellington was in this community on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Clinton Friburg of Wichita Falls is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Dockery.

Dan Keith Stowe, who is ill, is much improved.

Doyle Bunch, who is a student in W. T. S. T. C. in Canyon, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bunch.

Mrs. J. S. Mason is spending the holidays with relatives in Birmingham, Ala.

Weldon Dicus, a college student at Canyon, is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Dicus.

Hobson Matthews spent Wednesday in Wichita Falls.

Mrs. George White and son, George Allen, spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Knapp, near Chillicothe.

Germany exported 23 million mouth organs in 1935 with the United States and South America as best customers.

## STORIES IN STAMPS

By I. S. Klein

### THE MAN WHO BECAME KING OF DIAMONDS



Cecil Rhodes, wan, sickly youth of 16, went to South Africa in 1869 for his health. Diamonds had just been located in Kimberley. Cecil Rhodes quickly regained his health in the high, rare atmosphere of Kimberley, and he also became the owner of the greatest diamond empire in the world. By 1888, he was able to write a check for \$25,000,000 to gain single-handed power over the world's diamond resources.

But this power and his huge wealth was not enough. He sought political power, and by his meddling in the Transvaal he brought on the Boer War and his own decline. He had made Bechuanaland a British protectorate; he had gained such complete control over Matabeleland that it was renamed Rhodesia, in his honor, and there he transported settlers and troops, to rule it almost as a personal domain.

He died in 1902 at the age of 49, leaving most of his vast fortune to the Oxford scholarship fund that bears his name.

The only memorial to him in stamps is "Groote Shuur," his estate near Wynberg, South Africa. It appears on a stamp issued by South Africa in 1927.



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## Quins Ready To Give Santa a Race



The Dionne quintuplets aren't forgetting that Santa Claus probably is trying out his sleigh at the North Pole at this very moment, so, packed in like a load of toys, and with Dr. Dafoe playing the part of Santa, the sisters are out for some Christmas realism on this crisp, sunshiny day. In the seat with Dr. Dafoe, Yvonne, on left, has her eyes on the Christmas package Marie is holding. On Dr. Dafoe's lap is Emilie, and tucked in cozily by the door are Annette, left, and Cecile.

## WARTIME RATIONS CURTAIL NAZI CHRISTMAS LARDERS

Berlin, Dec. 24. (P)—Wartime regulations on rationing of meat, vegetables, fats and bread, enforced by decree and propaganda, curtailed Nazi Germany's Christmas larder Thursday.

Animal feed likewise was ordered "rationed" in order to spread the dwindling domestic foodstuffs over the winter.

The ultimate objective was Germany's self-sufficiency in accordance with Chancellor Hitler's four-year plan for economic rehabilitation of the Third Reich.

The scarcity of fats, of which only half the annual average consumption is produced in Germany, has long harassed Nazi conservation plans.

After Jan. 1, butter and lard will be rationed closely with tabs kept on each family.

Bacon, long scarce, hardly can be obtained in Germany today because of the fat and hog shortage caused by fodder scarcity.

### A Lofty Idea

Los Angeles, Dec. 24. (P)—For eight years Capt. Lawrence J. Chiappino, airline pilot, has spent Christmas Eve flying between here and Albuquerque, N. M.

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Subs for Santa. Reading, Pa., Dec. 24. (P)—A ten-year-old Nova Scotia boy is going to get a Christmas package from the family of Charles G. Karver, florist of nearby Boyertown. Karver bought a Christmas tree and found this note tied to it: "I am a little boy 10 years old. My mother and father are very poor as they have a large family and I am not going to school at present, as my clothing isn't fit in cold weather. Will some kind lady or gentleman be good enough to send me a needed present as I don't expect to see Santa Claus. From a little boy, Maurice Feltmate, care of East Keontin Valley, Guys County, Nova Scotia." His presents are on their way.

Honor Pupils Announced. Annie Lee Fulcher, with an average of 95, and Mary McCaleb with 92.5 are honor students in the eighth grade of North Side High School, according to announcement made Thursday.

In spite of its great bulk, the elephant can keep up a speed of 10 miles an hour for long distances.

Office Secretary Named. Miss Sara Elizabeth Terrell will begin duties Jan. 1 as secretary in the office at Vernon High School. She succeeds Mrs. Earl Ford who will be a helper in the County Clerk's office beginning Jan. 1. Miss Terrell had been employed in the Sherrill Insurance Agency office for the past 15 months.

Airmail service between Vancouver and Winnipeg on a proposed trans-Canada airway is expected by Jan. 1, 1937.

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## Christmas Greetings

May this Christmas tide  
Fill each heart with joy,  
Each life with happiness,  
Each purse with good fortune.

## The Palace Drug Store

## G. W. LISENBEE FURNITURE CO.

## Let Joy Be Unconfined— 'Tis Christmas

Christmas is here again, the high spot of the whole year, significant of the spirit by which our nation lives.

At this season we bring you our greetings, our sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas for each of you and a New Year that will leave nothing to be desired.

## Purefoy Motor Co.

## To One And All Happy Christmas

As the Yuletide comes again with its message of "peace on earth, good will toward men," we are moved to give that greeting which is always new, yet which is as old and substantial as the very spirit of Christmas—MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## Herbert Maas Machine Shop

# a Very Merry ELECTRIC Christmas to all

An electric Christmas! The words have the tingling effect of a poetic phrase describing an historic event of great significance. An Electric Christmas!

The Yuletide season has arrived when electric gifts predominate, when electric service plays an increasingly important role in the Christmas schedule. Equally important is the part played by your Electric Appliance Servants throughout the year.

Just as Christmas trees are beautified by electric lights, so is every-day existence benefitted by the electric service brought to home and business by the West Texas Utilities Company. Electric power with its energy awaits your command as eagerly as Saint of Saints, Santa Claus. That doughty patron of Yule season was never more anxious to please than your Electric Servant.

'An electric Christmas! A season of bright lights and merriment! Happy days are here again—a round of parties features the collegian home for the holidays. Modern electric servants are at hand to help you make the most of the gay period... and they stay on and on to enliven each period of the year, be it Spring, Summer, Fall, or Winter with its Christmas Gaiety.

A very merry electric Christmas to all! The poetic prophecy contained in those words foretells a tendency on the part of West Texas commercial and domestic establishments to electrify business and home at an accelerated pace.

The West Texas Utilities Company steps out in front to wish you a very merry electric year. It invites you to use its facilities and urges that you allow it to co-operate in making this the happiest of all Christmases.

## West Texas Utilities Company



## Joy Be With You At Christmas!

We are very mindful of our debt to the friends who have favored our business, a debt of gratitude which we can never fully repay. We feel that we would be ungrateful if we failed to seize this opportunity and eagerly wish you a—

MERRY CHRISTMAS  
AND  
VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

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## Our Best Wishes FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

In appreciation of the many friends we have had the pleasure to serve, we wish you a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

## Wilbarger Motor Comyany

L. E. GORDON, Owner  
Howard Baker, Shop Foreman  
Floyd Richardson, Salesman  
Dewitt Sylvester, Salesman  
Pat Bell, Mechanic  
Fred Gordon, Service

## THE GLORY OF CHRISTMAS!

All of the tinsel and holly, the glowing candles, the boisterous good fellowship, are but the outward manifestations of the spirit that underlies the institution of Christmas.

The friendly word, the cheerful greeting, the love of giving, encouragement, new faith, new confidence and hope...these are the things we imply when we say

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

## Anderson Furniture Co.

H. H. ANDERSON

## SEE OUR SELECTION OF HOLLOW-WARE GIFTS

From Reed & Barton  
PITCHER AND GOBLET,  
BREAD TRAYS, FRUIT  
BOWLS, ETC.  
Reasonably Priced

FRED THOMPSON, Jeweler



## COAST UNION SPLIT TALKED

### LABOR SECRETARY URGES BOTH SIDES TO RUSH PEACE AGREEMENT

San Francisco, Dec. 24. (AP)—A possible threat to union solidarity overshadowed peace moves Thursday in the Pacific Coast maritime strike, disclosing a sailors' publication denouncing the leadership of Harry Bridges, sponsor of the "solid front" movement, while a strikers' mass meeting backed him up.

From Washington, Secretary Perkins dispatched word to both sides that public interest "demands" an early settlement of the 56-day strike, which has affected nearly 40,000 workers, tied up 233 ships and cost \$302,000,000 by some business estimates.

"Great patience has been shown in waiting for such an agreement but the public interest requires these negotiations be completed promptly," the Labor Secretary declared, "even if some sacrifice is necessary."

"The West Coast Sailor," official local bulletin of the striking Sailors' Union, which has reached a tentative agreement with offshore and coastwise shippers, told Bridges to "keep his hands and his nose out of the sailors' business."

It accused the coast longshoremen's president of attempting to undermine the Sailors' Union through control of strike publicity, including the organ of the Pacific Maritime Federation, the policy of which demands no settlement with employers until all seven unions have been satisfied.

A mass meeting of an estimated 7,000 strikers Wednesday, who were addressed by Bridges, passed resolutions backing his policies and recommending that negotiating hereafter be done by a "full coast negotiating committee" to be assembled here.

### HOUSTON POLICE ROUT PICKETS AT WATERFRONT

Houston, Dec. 24. (AP)—Police drove all pickets for striking seamen off their posts on the south side of the Houston ship channel Wednesday night after two non-union ship's officers had been beaten and robbed by unidentified men.

Strike headquarters claimed 20 pickets were beaten by police.

Lieutenant J. E. Murray, in charge of the waterfront detail, said he ordered his officers to break up picketing for the night in an effort to stop numerous beatings of non-union seamen.

Murray said he went to strike headquarters during the day, told the rank-and-file leaders the beatings must stop, but could get no pledge of cooperation from them. He then decided, he said, to take retaliatory measures if violence continued.

He said pickets on five posts were forced to leave by police.

### QUINTUPLETS TO SEE BROTHER CHRISTMAS DAY

Callander, Ont., Dec. 24. (AP)—Santa Claus, who lives about as close to the Dionne quintuplets as to anybody, will bring the little girls their baby brother Friday.

Five-months-old Oliva, whom they never have seen, will spend Christmas Day at the Dafoe Nursery with Mamma Dionne and the rest of the family—a reunion that will, incidentally, answer the Santa letter of little Rose Dionne for another day with the quintuplets.

### Position of Treasury.

Washington, Dec. 24. (AP)—The position of the Treasury on Dec. 22: Receipts, \$15,844,733.63; expenditures, \$15,876,693.18; balance, \$1,881,270,123.89; customs receipts for the month, \$29,791,563.53. Receipts for the fiscal year (since July 1), \$2,103,156,655.19; expenditures, \$6,398,600,570.49, including \$1,556,399,223.78 of emergency expenditures; excess of expenditures, \$1,295,444,355.30; gross debt, \$34,300,827,450.11, a decrease of \$9,436,689.50 under the previous day; gold assets, \$11,229,156,043.72.

Twelve of the prettiest girls in France, all winners of prizes for comeliness, appeared as a chorus in a London revue.

## County Briefs

By Special Correspondence To The Record

### FIVE-IN-ONE

Five-in-One.—The Five-in-One 4-H Club girls entertained their parents with a casserole supper Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Freddie Reed and daughter, of Childress, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Haney, and family of this community the past weekend.

Miss Marie Scott of this community entertained the young people with a party in her home Saturday night.

A large crowd attended the Christmas program Thursday night at the school.

The play, "The Light Eternal" will be presented at Five-in-One Jan. 7. Admission will be 10 and 15 cents.

Joe Larey, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. O. G. Bartow, of this community, has returned to his home in Duluth, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Price of Lubbock are visiting in this community.

Mrs. J. N. Pierce and son spent the week-end in St. Jo, Texas, with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Staub of Portales, N. M., are visiting friends and relatives of this community.

Max, Karl, Rosa, and Emma Goetz of Iowa Park visited here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Webb and children, and Mrs. Hubert Abston returned home Sunday from a few days' visit in Amherst.

Horace Lambert of Dallas is visiting friends and relatives in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Mansel announce the birth of a son Saturday, Dec. 12.

Word has been received of the marriage of Miss Vena Lawson of this community to George Thompson of California.

Miss Lorene Foerster, who has been attending school at Seguin, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Foerster.

Lester Martin of Elmore City, Okla., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Martin.

### THALIA

Thalia.—S. B. Stovall left Tuesday for Los Angeles, Calif., to spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. Ada Belle Robinson, and family, and Miss Louise Stovall of Seattle, Wash., who is moving to Los Angeles.

A large crowd attended the Christmas pageant which was presented at the high school auditorium Wednesday night under the direction of Miss Frances Couch.

Gus Neill and family left Friday to spend the holidays hunting in South Texas.

Mrs. Jeffie Wood, who has been visiting with relatives in Gainesville, is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Hathaway, and other relatives here.

Miss Lucy Jones, who is attending a nurses' training school in Abilene, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Jones here.

Royce Cato, Frank Wood, Roy Shultz, John Thompson and Charlie Lawhorn were visitors in Sherman last week-end.

Miss Kathleen Cameron is spending the holidays with her parents in Stephenville.

Miss Helen Willard left Friday for Denton to visit her parents through the holidays.

Miss Imogene Wells is visiting with relatives in Petrolia this week. Miss Frances Couch is spending Christmas with her parents in Abilene.

Miss Pauline Wisdom went to Gainesville Friday for a visit with relatives.

C. C. Wisdom and daughter, Johnnie Ruth, A. B. Wisdom and sons, J. C. and Mr. and Mrs. Bucher Wisdom visited relatives in Amarillo last week-end.

Carl Bledsoe and family of Colorado are visiting Mrs. Bledsoe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Main, here this week.

Otis and John Tole, who are attending school in Canyon, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Tole, here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Henry of Fort Worth are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hammonds and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Henry, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Capps of Wink visited his parents here a few days last week.

E. G. Grimsley visited relatives in Gainesville Friday night and Saturday. He also visited in Denton and

was accompanied home by his daughter, Miss Tommie, who is attending North Texas State Teachers College in Denton.

Bud Temple, who has been visiting relatives here the past few weeks has returned to his home in Honey Grove.

W. Lee Cox and family visited relatives in Ivan last week-end.

Miss Vava Matthews, who is teaching school in Henderson, is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Matthews, here.

Carl Matthews and family of Austin are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Matthews, here this week.

Miss Onita Cates of Abilene is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Cates here this week.

Harold Banister of Elk City, Okla., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Banister, here.

Louis Webb and family visited relatives on the Plains last week-end.

R. D. Wheelock is visiting relatives in Silveston.

Ocie Chism is spending Christmas with relatives in Moran.

### WILDCAT

Wildcat.—Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Taylor and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Brock and children, Kenneth, Bettie Jane, and Ronald, Mr. and Mrs. Steward Brock and children, Rancy and Hazel, all of Chillicothe, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hershal Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brock Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Matheny of Lorenzo, Texas, are visiting her brothers, W. E. and Homer Scott, her sisters, Mrs. Ira Crawford and Mrs. Sam Hulme, and other relatives here.

Mrs. Virgil Hildebrand and children, Oneita, O'Kelly, and Keith, of Denton are here to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives.

Mrs. Henry Smithson honored her daughter, Mrs. Jerod Brody, with a miscellaneous shower last Thursday afternoon. Those present were Mrs. W. E. Scott, Mrs. Garland Smithson, Mrs. Sam Hulme, Mrs. E. H. Tooley,

and Mrs. Caleb Hildebrand. Others sending gifts were Maude Hildebrand and Mable Henderson.

Miss Uarda Tooley, student in C. I. A., Denton, is at home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Tooley.

Rev. Cal C. Wright, presiding elder of the Vernon district, will preach here at the 11 o'clock service Sunday, Dec. 27.

### FARMERS VALLEY

Farmers Valley.—Emmett Mitchell is ill.

J. J. Blanchard of Sudan is visiting his son, Roy Blanchard, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Frost visited in Star Valley Sunday.

Woodrow Duckworth, student of T. C. U., Fort Worth, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Duckworth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brock are spending the holidays visiting in Lubbock.

J. E. Calvert and son, J. E. Jr., returned Sunday from an extended business trip to the Rio Grande Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Phipps of Vernon and daughter, Miss Hazel, of Tahoka, visited friends here Sunday.

Miss Dallas Mitchell of Afion and Miss Maurine Mitchell, a student in West Texas State Teachers College, Canyon, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Mitchell.

Mrs. H. M. Dobson and children, Herbert and Evelyn, and Warren Rich went to Dallas Wednesday to visit her father.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Frost have at their holiday guests, her mother, Mrs. J. M. Reynolds, and sister, Miss Ophelia Reynolds, and brother, Woodie Reynolds, of Kermit.

Mrs. Lucy Carter, Mrs. Calvin Vaughn and sons, Lloyd and Marcia Lee, are visiting Mrs. Carters sons, John and Charlie Carter, and families of Lubbock.

Mr. and Mrs. Oby Blanchard and children, Junior and Virginia, of Amherst are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Frost.

Mrs. Calvin Vaughn and family were honored at a surprise supper Tuesday evening.

Miss Sallie Belle Owen is spending the holidays in Ravenna.

Dean Bennett is visiting at Lake Dallas.

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